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HU anticipates a \$5 mil. federal funding increase

University could receive the monies because 'we have done our homework,' Minor says

By Erika Gravett
Hilltop Staff Writer

Howard University may receive over \$5 million more in federal funding this year if President Bill Clinton's budget is approved in September.

The federal appropriation proposes that the University receive \$192,686,000 for the 1994 fiscal year. If passed by Congress, the school could get a \$5,065,000 increase over last year's appropriation.

According to Dr. Hassan Minor, Jr., assistant to President Franklin Jenifer, this year's request is unique in that while the Department of Education received no additional funding,

the University stands to receive an increase in funding.

"Fiscal 1994's request is significant because the Department of Education was essentially flat — meaning they didn't get any new money. President Clinton is requesting that Howard receive \$5 million additional dollars," Minor said.

Clinton's proposed FY '94 federal appropriation is as follows: Academic Programs - \$154,835,000, Endowment - \$3,441,000, Research - \$4,655,000, and the Howard University Hospital - \$29,755,000.

Federal appropriations comprise 60 percent of the University's revenue.

Last May, the University submitted its FY '94 budget to the Department of Education. Because Clinton did not take office until the end of January, it was not until March that Clinton's budget was submitted to Congress. Normally the President submits his budget to Congress in January.

However, this doesn't mark the end of the University's financial quandary. They must await approval from both of the houses. Currently, there are two different bills in each house of Congress under consideration.

The U.S. House of Representatives has scheduled a hearing to consider its bill for the schools' federal appropria-

tion on Monday. However, The U.S. Senate is scheduled to consider its bill for the University's federal appropriation in September.

"If the (final) bill differs, the House and Senate will sit down to reconcile the differences. The earliest reconcile date is September," Minor said.

According to Minor, the bill is expected to pass in October and will become law in November.

"It (the bill) fell behind because Clinton didn't submit his budget until March," Minor said, due to the change of president in office.

Last year, the University received a total of \$6,384,000

for construction. However, this one-time funding was separate and was not calculated with the base appropriation.

"Capital money is one-time funding for a specific project. It is not considered as part of the University's base funding. Increases in construction are not usually recommended in the President's request, but are added by the Congress," Minor said.

The federal appropriation is a year-long project for Howard's administration. The University submits budgets one year in advance. This May, the University will submit FY '95's budget.

"In 1879, the Congress autho-

rized annual appropriations to Howard of \$10,000. Since that time, the University has received more than \$3 billion...." Minor said. He added that the reason why the University stands to receive a \$5 million dollar increase is because "we have done our homework."

Because the actual appropriation will not go into law until the end of this year, University officials cannot determine how the appropriation will affect tuition.

"To the extent that we get strong support from Congress, the increase in tuition and fees will be decreased," Minor said.

Polishing up...



As commencement exercises kick off, students remember the behind-the-scenes look.

Howard receives grants for international affairs research

By Chelsea L. Stalling
Hilltop Staff Writer

Despite the money-crunch of the recent recession, two areas of Howard University have received significant grants from outside resources to help develop studies in international affairs and cancer research.

In an effort to support the establishment of a Center for International Affairs, the W.K. Kellogg foundation recently awarded a three-year \$3-million grant to the University, while the Department of Sociology/Anthropology has received a three-year \$300,000 grant from the National Cancer Institute.

The International Center represents one of more than 80 recommendations in President Franklin G. Jenifer's "Howard 2000" plan.

"Under representation of minorities in the conduct of international affairs is a concern of national interest. Howard is best placed among institutions of higher learning to mobilize a comprehensive response to under representation," Jenifer said.

The center will combine a variety of scholars who will teach and conduct research in selected areas of foreign policy which directly involve the United States.

Dr. Horace Dawson, Director of the Patricia Roberts Harris Public Affairs Program, has been appointed interim director of the center. In this capacity, he will initiate activities that will lead to the establishment of the program.

"I foresee a coordinated effort on the Howard campus which will bring together various programs and activities in the area of international affairs. It will be a major resource for the University as it expands its role in foreign affairs in the 21st century," Dawson said.

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation is a private grant-making entity that thrives on the slogan "helping people help themselves."

It recently awarded a total of \$30 million to 10 historically black colleges and universities to assist in the realignment and strengthening of their academic programs. Some of these schools include Clark, Hampton, Morehouse, Spelman, Tuskegee and Florida A&M University.

The Center for International Affairs will also coordinate seminars bringing together Howard students, Washington Consortium of Universities and outside participants. Emphasis will be placed on minority students pursuing careers in international affairs.

The center also intends to publish scholarly works in the field and will explore ways of involving students at the secondary school level.

The Department of Sociology/Anthropology has also been awarded a three-year \$300,000 grant from the National Cancer Institute.

The grant will be used to conduct an in-depth exploration of cancer prevention methods and

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Allied Health students rally for program changes

By Jeffrey Anderson
Hilltop Staff Writer

After organizing and bringing their grievances to the attention of Howard University administration, disgruntled students in the College of Allied Health's physical therapy program finally seem to be getting results.

Twenty-five of the hopeful applicants, who have spent a minimum of two years preparing for the program's professional phase, felt they were not being treated fairly when they were left out of the professional stage of the program.

Before applying to complete their degree in the professional phase students must complete two years of core science courses,

Ron Brown to speak at today's graduation ceremony

By Kevin Jenkins
Hilltop Staff Writer

Commerce Secretary and former Democratic National Chairman (DNC) Ron Brown has been chosen as the commencement speaker for Howard's graduation ceremonies this year, according to the secretary of the Board of Trustees, Artis G. Cowan.

Brown, 51, has been hailed by President Bill Clinton as a "brilliant negotiator and perhaps the most outstanding chairman of the DNC in my lifetime."

The Secretary of Commerce began his political career with the Urban League at age 27 after obtaining a law degree at St. John's University and a bachelor of arts degree from Middleburg College.

Within eleven years, Brown, whose mother is a Howard alumna, has worked his way up to become Deputy Executive Director, Chief Counsel, and Chief Washington Spokesman for the League.

Serving under Senator Ted Kennedy, (D, Mass.), Brown continued to be a trailblazer,

eventually becoming Chief Counsel of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Brown also served as convention manager during Jesse Jackson's bid for the presidency.

Here in the District, Brown has used his influence to generate millions of dollars as a partner at Patton, Boggs and Blow, one of Washington's most powerful law firms. The Washington Post has ranked him as one of the wealthiest cabinet members in regard to personal assets.

Some graduating seniors, such as Wills Allen, hope that Brown will speak on topics



Ron Brown

that the students and their families can relate to.

"I'd like to see him identify (in his address) with some of the issues that deal with African-Americans," Allen, a graduating psychology major, said. "Because of his position, he is in a sense isolated from

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This year's student speaker for commencement, Melbalenia Evans-Hamilton, comes from the School of Divinity as a graduate student. "It is an awesome responsibility to be the voice of such a distinguished group of people," she said.



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Congratulations to the Class of 1993."

—Everyone

CAMPUS

Financial woes haunt School of Communications

By Keisha Brown
and Tawana Coleman
Hilltop Staff Writers

The former Freedman's Hospital, which today houses the School of Communications, is being plagued by a disease that is afflicting much of Howard's campus—chronic belt tightening.

Although this isn't a new problem, the results are. As the administration is forced to cut corners financially, students are concerned that quality in their education is being cut as well.

This concern is most prevalent among those enrolled in the Broadcast Journalism sequence. Currently, two required Broadcast Journalism courses Broadcast Journalism II and Electronic Newsgathering are slated to be offered only on Saturdays in the fall.

According to students who must enroll in these courses to graduate, such scheduling is unreasonable for numerous reasons.

"We are concerned that we will not have enough time on Saturdays to understand the equipment, get interviews and create a sound bite before the class is over," Geanerika Monique, junior broadcasting major said. "Who is to say we will be able to get an interview on a Saturday?"

Depelsha Thomas, a junior majoring in Broadcast Journalism, agreed.

"We are asking the question, if everything can't be done within those three hours now, how will it

be able to get done on Saturday within four hours," Thomas said. "We have formed a committee to investigate B.J. (Broadcast Journalism) as a whole and the classes on Saturday," Thomas said.

Recently students met with faculty and Department of Journalism Chair Clint Wilson to discuss the matter.

In a memo dispensed at the meeting, Wilson outlined that the decision was one made out of necessity.

Budget cuts have reduced the faculty, staff and equipment available to the program. In addition, the memo stated students have expressed concerns about cutting classes to complete broadcast assignments, conflicts with internships, problems with being able to get a news crew together because of conflicting schedules and various other problems. Thus, making Saturday classes the only feasible choice.

However, troubles for Broadcast Journalism students do not end here. The School of Communications' news magazine and vehicle through which most Broadcast Journalism students practice their craft, Newsvision, is currently having problems. Again, finances are the culprit.

Budget cuts have caused a substantial decrease in the number of shows aired this year on Channel 32, WHMM. Last year, 20 shows aired, while this year there were only two.

The lack of shows were a result of the budget cuts and only one professional being left on the staff.

Shelia Brooks, Executive Producer for Newsvision, was left to run the operation alone, after an associate producer and a production manager left.

According to Wilson, the quality of the programming could be better and WHMM has decided to air only several of the produced programs.

"We would never blame the students, but we just needed to get help on the production side," Wilson said. "They did what they were supposed to do."

The journalism department is currently coming up with ways to give the program better quality and a more professional look.

"We are looking for a variety of areas of experience for our students," Dr. Orlando Taylor, dean of the School of Communications, said.

Newsvision will not be aired in the fall to give students a chance to gain experience and expertise at their craft.

Beyond these programming problems, the School is battling structural problems as well.

Most people, who have walked the halls of the School of Communications on a rainy day, are familiar with the trash cans and buckets that line its halls to collect the water that leaks through the roof. According to Dean Orlando Taylor, the blizzard of the century, left the roof littered with holes.

Roof leakage and moisture has caused major damage to the school. Important documents, dissertations and various books have been victims of the rain and

melted snow throughout the years. In addition, several thousands dollars worth of damage was done to several computers.

"The facility is a major prob-

lem," Taylor said. "I have informed the president of the University about the facility's problems, and I believe the building is inadequate."

Apparently his message was heard. Currently, the school, which just received funds, is receiving a new roof, along with other modifications.

Community News strives to increase readership in '93

By Keisha Brown
Hilltop Staff Writer

The Community News, a student-run newspaper in the School of Communications, will experience a changing of the guard for the upcoming school year. Michael Tucker, a lecturer in the Department of Journalism, will assume the position of advisor for several reasons.

"This is a good opportunity to further interact with students and move from the classroom to the lab," Tucker said. "The classrooms have people that are so motivated that you want to be with them."

Currently, the newspaper is suffering from a lack of student readership. In a recent survey in THE HILLTOP, out of 100 respondents, only 38 said that they read the newspaper.

"I never knew the paper existed until this survey was done," Myisha Driver, a sophomore majoring in psychology, said. "I don't even know where the paper is available."

Because it is a community-targeted publication, students reported that the paper does not appeal to them. However, those who do read the newspaper feel it provides adequate information about the community. It is toward these readers Tucker will focus his efforts for improving the publication.

According to Tucker, he wants to establish a liaison between the leaders and professionals in the community. In addition, he wants to create a



Photo by Sharonda Starks

Student working in the Community News office. relationship with the people in the community.

"The Community News presents a world of opportunity for students to get off campus and report real issues," Tucker said.

Key to the paper's metamorphosis is its design. Tucker will attempt to redesign the newspaper to give it a more modern look. In addition, he'll focus his attention on placing a greater emphasis on quality.

However, Tucker feels that the newspaper has grown in content and advertising.

"All I will try to do is to continue the progress," Tucker said. "It will be up to the students to do that, I will just be the advisor."

He encourages all students to apply for a position at the newspaper, including non-journalism students.

Campus to receive \$30 million facelift

By Karen Stewart
Hilltop Staff Writer

The recent smell of hot tar and the sound of drilling across the campus has signaled one thing: Howard is getting a makeover—well, partly.

According to Vice-President for Business and Fiscal Affairs and University Treasurer, James A. Fletcher II, \$30 million dollars may go into a multi-year renovation plan for the University's buildings. The renovations, which have already begun, will continue throughout the summer and may not be completed until the fall of 1994.

"Most of the buildings are averaging about 55 years with the exception of three or four. It's about time we do something to extract durability out of these buildings for the next 10 years," Philip Artin, director of Planning and Development, said.

Artin said the renovations are limited and only a few dorms—Tubman Quadrangle (The Quad), Charles R. Drew Hall, Meridian Hill Hall and Carver Hall—were targeted because of limited funds. Only \$11 million dollars of the budget plan has been approved by the Board of Trustees. That money will go into minor renovations within the dormitories.

Fletcher said the University plans to renovate the C. B. Powell Building (School of Communications), the Administration building, Frederick Douglass Hall and the University Service Center. He

indicated that renovations also include roofing repairs and upgrading handicap areas in compliance with American Disabilities Act Requirements.

"A key part of the plan involves the work here in the administration building. We're trying to organize things here so it can be a one-stop shopping place for students. Dr. (Franklyn) Jenifer's concept is that we want to make as many (operations) as possible affecting students in this one building," Fletcher said.

As a result some operations have been permanently moved out of the building to the University Service Center in order to provide more room for other services, such as the accounts office, which is currently located in C.B. Powell.

Other changes in the University infrastructure include electrical power and heating, various campus construction and a fiber optic computer network that will link university computers to one another and provide for more efficient services within financial aid, enrollment, registration and other financial operations.

In addition to the physical development of the other campus buildings, the Office of Residence Life is planning to upgrade the quality of living in the dorms, which has been an area of contention for many students.

"The University has solved this housing shortage that we had for about 25 years. (We are) now making substantial progress in solving the problems with the



Photo by Sharonda Starks

Sign outside "A" Building signals campus of construction underway. physical conditions of our halls and getting them to a point where we will be real satisfied with that," said William Keene, Dean of Residence Life.

Upgrading has already begun for the Quad, which received new energy efficient windows last fall. The University has already installed kitchens in Meridian and has renovated the study and television rooms and the elevators.

Other scheduled changes for the dorms:

- **Meridian:** new windows
- **Carver:** central air and heating, modernized showers and bathrooms, and new roofing.
- **Drew:** new roofing, renovated lobby, central air and heating, modernized bathrooms and showers, and card access security system.
- **The Quad:** upgraded lobby and mail boxes, centralized security and card access system with cam-

eras. In Baldwin, Wheatley and Frazier, bathrooms and showers will be upgraded while Truth and Crandall Halls will get central air and heat.

Truth and Crandall will be closed down for the 1993-94 school year and possibly longer. The remaining students will be housed in Bethune Hall. If those halls are not ready by the fall 1994, then female students will be housed in the Bethune Annex, which is scheduled to open that semester.

Artin said he hopes that students develop an appreciation for the dorm renovation because he was disappointed about the decrepit condition of newly renovated Cook Hall.

According to Artin, money spent on re-renovating Cook could have been spent on other maintenance and improvements for other dormitories.

'Surprising' library fines agitate students

By Arnesa Howell and
Mandlenema R. Kumbula
Hilltop Staff Writers

As graduating seniors know, the last-minute scramble to clear the usual Howard University fines before commencement can be a hassle. But some students' dreams of marching have recently been in jeopardy because of an unforeseen obstacle—library fines.

According to Raymond Smith, assistant to the secretary of the University, students must pay all outstanding fees owed to the University before being allowed to graduate because the University receives federal funds. Therefore, the funds are mandated regularly by the government.

"We also had to implement internal measures because graduating students were leaving the University without paying and that was jeopardizing the school's financial aid programs," Smith said.

Last month, Ann Randall, the director of University Libraries, issued a letter notifying all May 1993 graduates of outstanding fines and charges. Some students had to account for books that were two or three years overdue to graduate.

Library fines are 25 cents per day for regular books and 50 cents per hour for reserve books. However, the highest amount the library will fine students is \$10

for overdue books. Students are charged \$40 per lost book.

Besides the library fees, students must also pay last-minute charges such as a \$100 graduation fee.

"The \$100 graduation fee was no problem because I knew about it," said Delamo Sterling, who is majoring in television production. "However, the library charges surprise most people because they just spring up."

Senior Nicholas House said that library clearance is just another way for the University to make money because he received no notice that he had twelve overdue books.

Assistant Director for Central Library Services Mohammed Mekkiwi encourages students to periodically check their library records for overdue book fines because the University doesn't have a grace period policy.

"We don't bill you if you don't return a book currently, we catch you at graduation," Mekkiwi said.

Although students may have overdue book fines and charges, they may still check out books until a few days before graduation.

Next year the University libraries will use the Sterling computer system for library clearance rather than rely on the Prospective Graduate System to find out library status.

Campus briefs

Graduate Student Assembly cruises through another banner year

The Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) capped a year of successful activities with a cruise on the Potomac Spirit.

The cruise was an example of the positive change made under the 1992-93 administration of GSA Coordinator Tanya Bender and GSA Vice-Coordinator Michael Edwards.

This year the GSA leadership mobilized its members to plan and organize events which had a significant impact on lives of graduate students.

One such event was the Collective Vision of the Future Conference. Research Day, co-sponsored by the Graduate Student council of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, witnessed the biggest turn-out in its history.

The GSA plans to remain active throughout the summer months by organizing events for next

year and assisting in graduate student orientation.

Cooperative Program insures entrance to Med School

In keeping with President Franklyn G. Jenifer's Howard 2000 plan, the University has established an Integrated Medical Education Program for the 1993-94 academic year.

As outlined in Jenifer's plan, up to 15 students will be selected annually to enroll in medical school courses during their senior year at Howard.

Successful completion of the courses by these chosen students will guarantee acceptance into the University's medical school.

These specialized courses will be offered by the College of Medicine and are required courses for the freshman medical curriculum.

Currently, two students are enrolled in the

pilot program. Students majoring in biology, chemistry or physics who are interested in pursuing a degree in medicine should contact the College of Medicine.

Howard recognizes its own

In its second annual effort to honor its faculty, the Division of Academic Affairs held its 1993 Awards and Recognition Program.

Congratulations to the following faculty members for outstanding performance in their respective disciplines.

1993 Amoco Awards for Teaching Excellence
Laura Fleet, Human Communications Sciences and Disorders—School of Communications
Eleanor Traylor, English—College of Arts and Sciences

Strategic Planning Award
School of Law

School of Continuing Education
Distinguished Chairperson Award
Leslie Hicks, Psychology—College of Arts and Sciences

Outstanding Overall Progress Award
School of Communications

Legacy Award

College of Fine Arts, Porter Exhibit

1993 Academic Affairs Community Service Award
Florence Bonner, —College of Arts and Sciences

New Horizons Awards

Ron Walters, College of Arts and Sciences
Cain Hope Felder, School of Divinity

School of Engineering, Portable Shelters for Homeless People

1993 Academic Affairs Research Award

Neil Hindman, Mathematics—Graduate School
Distinguished Career Award

Faustine Jones-Wilson, School of Education

CAMPUS II

Summer graduates seek to march in May commencement

By Ayoka Campbell
and Valerie Williams
Hilltop Staff Writers

Today's Commencement may leave a bitter taste in some non-graduating seniors' mouths.

Currently Howard University's policy does not allow students to participate in Spring Commencement exercises if they are not both financially and academically cleared by 5:00 p.m. on May 7th.

This means that inherently Summer and December graduates will not be participating in the ritualistic march today, donning the traditional attire of caps and gowns, either because they are still in debt to the University or have not taken all of their required classes, or both. And, these students will have to wait one more year if they want to be publicly recognized.

Six hundred University students expressed their discontent with this policy

by signing a petition to allow all seniors who meet set financial and academic requirements at the same time as regular prospective graduating seniors to march. The amendment would apply only to seniors who had no more than 10 credits left to complete and no one would receive their diploma or be acknowledged as University alumni until they actually completed all academic and financial requirements.

However, their efforts were fruitless because the issue was not placed on the agenda of the last Board of Trustees meeting last month.

According to Undergraduate Trustee Kevin Bryan, and the only student who may introduce legislation to the board, the petition was initiated too late.

"We wouldn't have been able to change the policy for this year because caps and gowns have already been

ordered. (We would) have to go through too many changes," Bryan said.

Bryan is confident that the policy will be amended for next year's Commencement when the board meets again next month.

"Our administration and Board of Trustees are both very aware of concerns facing students. That has been evident in their rulings this year," he said. "We have some very wise people on the board and I think they will see the importance of this legislation."

Failure to amend the policy has not deterred one senior from marching today.

The senior who did not want to be identified said, "I'm sneaking into the graduation because although I have not completed all of my credits, I deserve to have a decent opportunity to be recognized like everyone else. I have paid my \$50,000 to be here. It's very important to my family.

They need to have the time to say, 'That's my child.' They've invested a lot," she said.

To march, the student got a cap and gown from an alumnus and got a friend to purchase extra invitations.

"We paid our dues to be here. We deserve every ounce of what Howard University has to offer," she added. "Many students by next year will have jobs and won't be able to take off work a year later to come back. Others don't have the money to come back and walk. Plus, I don't see the University dishing out any money for another Commencement."

"The University doesn't wait 50 weeks for their money and I shouldn't have to wait 50 weeks to walk."

The student also added that she is still mandated, like all graduates, to pay the \$100 graduation fee, which goes toward Spring Commencement, although she

doesn't expect to officially participate next year.

An administrative official, who did not want to be identified, said he understands the students' grievances but, he believes that allowing students to march before they are officially cleared academically by the University sends mixed messages. He said letting students graduate who are not academically ready is not a good reflection on the University.

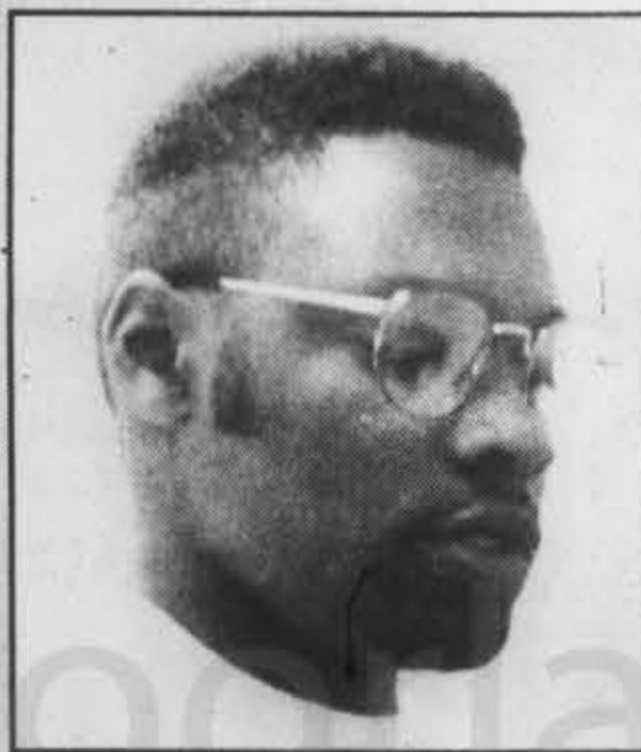
Many of the students who will be graduating in the summer blame bad advising.

"I was advised wrong. I was told too late in the semester that I still had classes to take. It's ridiculous that I will now not be able to march," Allison Williams, a senior majoring in psychology, said.

Andrew Reese, assistant to the vice-president of Academic Affairs, said that they are trying to revamp the system of advising for next year to prevent these problems.

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"What was the most important issue on Howard's campus this year?"



"One of the biggest things was the housing appropriations. The money going into housing this year is phenomenal...The most important thing that we really need as a University is to begin a dialogue between the entities of the University. We really need to step up and strengthen student government. From what I've seen...if this is what we have to look forward to, Black people will remain in the status quo for the next generation."

Kevin Bryan
1992-1993 Howard Undergraduate Trustee



"From what I saw when campaigning, the most important issues that affected the broadest range of students were with the international student surcharge and the security issue for off-campus students. The graduate students also spoke of a better flow of information to the campus and a need to get to know them better."

Cheryl Moat
1993-94 Graduate Trustee



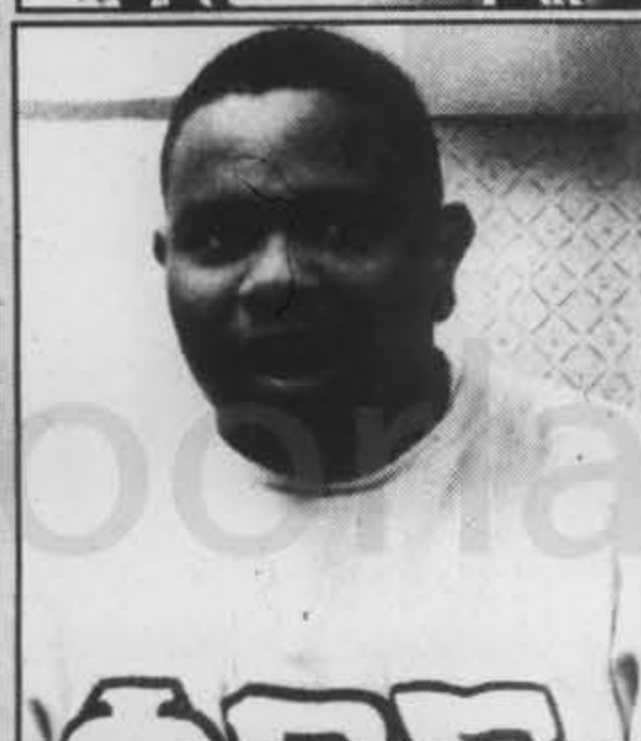
"The issue of validation proved to be key this year as undergrads saw privileges this term guarantees. First with the Kevin Tucker incident, students demanded that their leaders be validated students in order to represent their interests in student government and receive their money. And the tragedy in Meridian informed the student body that health care is another privilege that only a validated student can benefit from."

Kimberly Martin
Hilltop Campus Editor



"Howardites learned this year that the security provided by the University dangles by a fragile thread. The controversy surrounding injuries and the University's role in helping to heal them alerted students that the safety net they expect to be there is not as reliable as they thought. Despite this, Howard has grown through the addition of Cook Hall and the Bethune Hall Complex."

Sharmarra Turner
Hilltop Tempo Editor



"The faculty and the president are now seeing eye to eye. That's a very important component because it's going to affect their work. They needed to work out (the tenure issue) because President Jenifer needs the faculty behind him. Without the two entities working together the students will be the ones to pay."

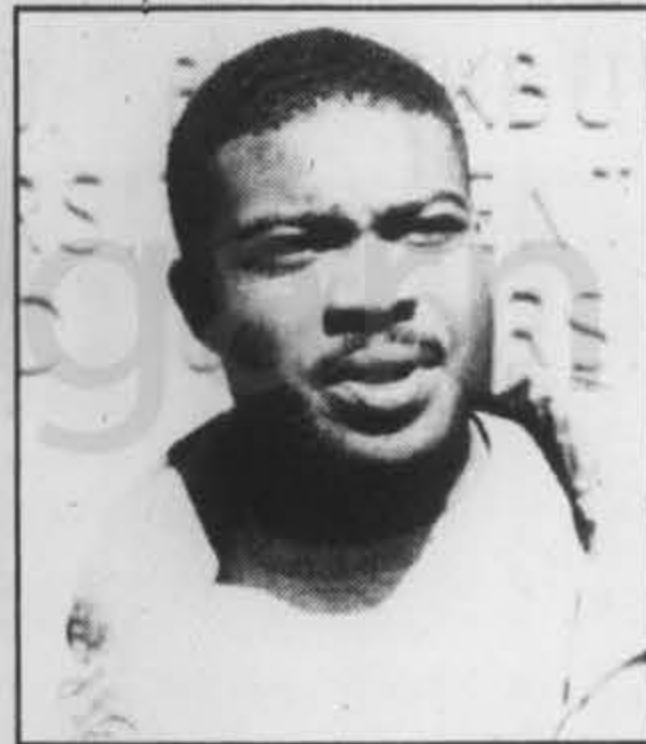
Mikel Husband
1992-93 BISON Editor-in-Chief



"(Some of the issues were) when Lydia Spruill was hit (on the head by falling plaster in Meridian) and the editorial from Lamar Washington about interracial relationships. Residence hall renovations really haven't been addressed and interracial relations are looked upon by the campus. Both of these cause a lot of uprising by both the students and faculty."

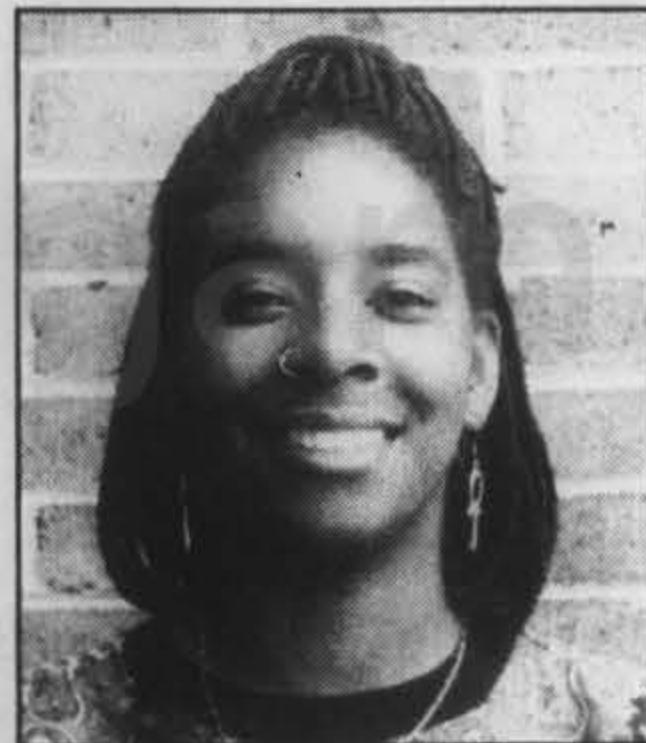
Derry Watkins
1993-94 BISON Editor-in-Chief

Larry W. Brown
Speakout Coordinator



"In terms of student issues, it's responsiveness to concerns, like Lydia Spruill, who was not validated but a student of Howard and is not taken care of by the University—that's an important issue. When something happens to a student, that should be able to be taken care of by the University."

Ivan K. Hopkins
1992-93 HUSA President



"There have been many major issues of concern to Howard students this year. I think some of the more serious issues, however, are problems in Somalia, the Haitian refugee situation, the Rodney King incident, Mt. Pleasant shootings, the U.S. presidential elections and the HUSA elections. All of these issues affect our present and future lives."

Terri R. Wade
1993-94 HUSA President

"In terms of major activities, we attempted to address the overriding issue of how to continue to improve the quality of our offerings (which was) part of a task force to assess student outcomes... (We also conducted) a major study on why our retention rate is so low... We also realized the need for placing more of an emphasis on advising students and making sure the quality of instruction meets the highest standards."

Dr. Joyce Ladner
Vice-President for Academic Affairs

"The most significant thing is that we were able to move ahead with housing plans for renovations...and we were able to secure money to renovate the Quad, Drew, Carver and Meridian...That's the highlight of the year because we should have affordable, well-maintained living accommodations for our students."

Dr. Steve Favors
Vice-President for Student Affairs

"In terms of academic achievement, this has been a very good year. Students are a lot more articulate and vocal. With respect to social issues, students have been very eager to contribute to the community (which helps) bring more people to the campus."

Dr. Gbadegesin Segun
Department of Philosophy

"One of the significant issues on the campus during the year was the ubiquitous budget cuts that the University had to deal with. Some deans tried to balance school budgets by cutting vital co-curriculum student activities. I was amazed that students passively went along with these measures instead of putting pressure on their deans and chairpersons to seek external funding to subsidize budgets."

Dr. Lawrence Kaggwa
Department of Journalism

"The (Howard University Student Association (HUSA)) election was a time when students had an opportunity to voice their opinions and some of them didn't. This marked a change in the University as far as the government is concerned. When students had the chance to change (things) they didn't take advantage of it."

Steve Howard
Junior/Civil Engineering Major/Football Player

"The way they're taking everything away from the 'Yard' such as Homecoming and the Spring Picnic is taking away all the fun away from the campus. Pretty soon graduation will be off the campus. It takes away from the mingling and camaraderie of the 'Yard'."

Corey Cook
Junior/Radio-Television Production Major/Cheerleader



Ayoka Campbell, Chuck Emory, Kimberly Martin
Speakout Photographers

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CAMPUS III

Students debate if ready for a different world

By Shanta Payne
Hilltop Staff Writer

As Howard University graduates pack their bags to leave this Mecca of higher education, they are left pondering the question of how well the University has prepared them for their future.

Although students leave with comparable educations, their impressions of their educations vary.

While one television production student, Shawn Bean, feels that his education has prepared him for the job market, another student majoring in television production, Frederick Charleson, Jr., has a differing impression.

"Education is the key for black people and Howard does a good job at making one understand that," Bean said.

However, Charleson said he feels that his professors did not prepare him as much as he thinks they could have. But he admits that the true gauge will be post-graduation.

"It's hard to tell until you get

into the job world," Charleson said.

University professors are confident that once in the job market their students will have the necessary skills to compete.

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--Edward Dunson, Associate Professor of Architecture

Dr. Irving W. Jones, professor of civil engineering, feels he's done a sufficient job in preparing his students for the job market.

"Engineering is a good major for many job positions. It is a discipline that teaches problem solving. It teaches in a very fundamental way in which one can apply it to problems other than

engineering." Jones also said that when talking to colleagues, University graduates seem to do quite well compared to other graduates in the area.

"A number of former students

ture increase.

"Students do very well when they are hired by the large firms like Skidmore, Owings and Merrill," Dunson said. The firm hires from all across the country and the world.

"We have to accommodate those changes. In any institution, particularly in architecture, we can improve on communication. That's our writing skills and our speaking skills. Those are very, very important in the world and in our own community. If one can write and if one can speak, that is an advantage," Dunson added.

Howard's education appears to be passing the real test, since area firms like C&P Telephone continue to recruit from the University.

"We do recruit from Howard. Howard University graduates have the skills we're looking for in specific areas," said Michel Daley, media relations manager and spokesperson for C&P Telephone.

According to Daley, they look for graduates with backgrounds in business, information systems,

finance and accounting. They also employ attorneys with two to three years of experience with strong backgrounds in litigation or recent grads in the top percentile of their class.

"Go in with a sense of confidence. You have the strengths and abilities just like any other graduate of any other institution, go with that in mind."

In the arena of communications, campus graduates continue to fair well. Rick Redmon, chief engineer at Black Entertainment Television (BET), agrees that University graduates compare favorably to other graduates in

the area. Contrary to some people's beliefs, electrical engineering is one of the majors that would provide a secure foundation for a position at BET.

Redmon said, "Electrical engineering is the best major out. It gives you the fundamentals to go in all areas."

So, despite their worries, Dunson advises students to never doubt their abilities.

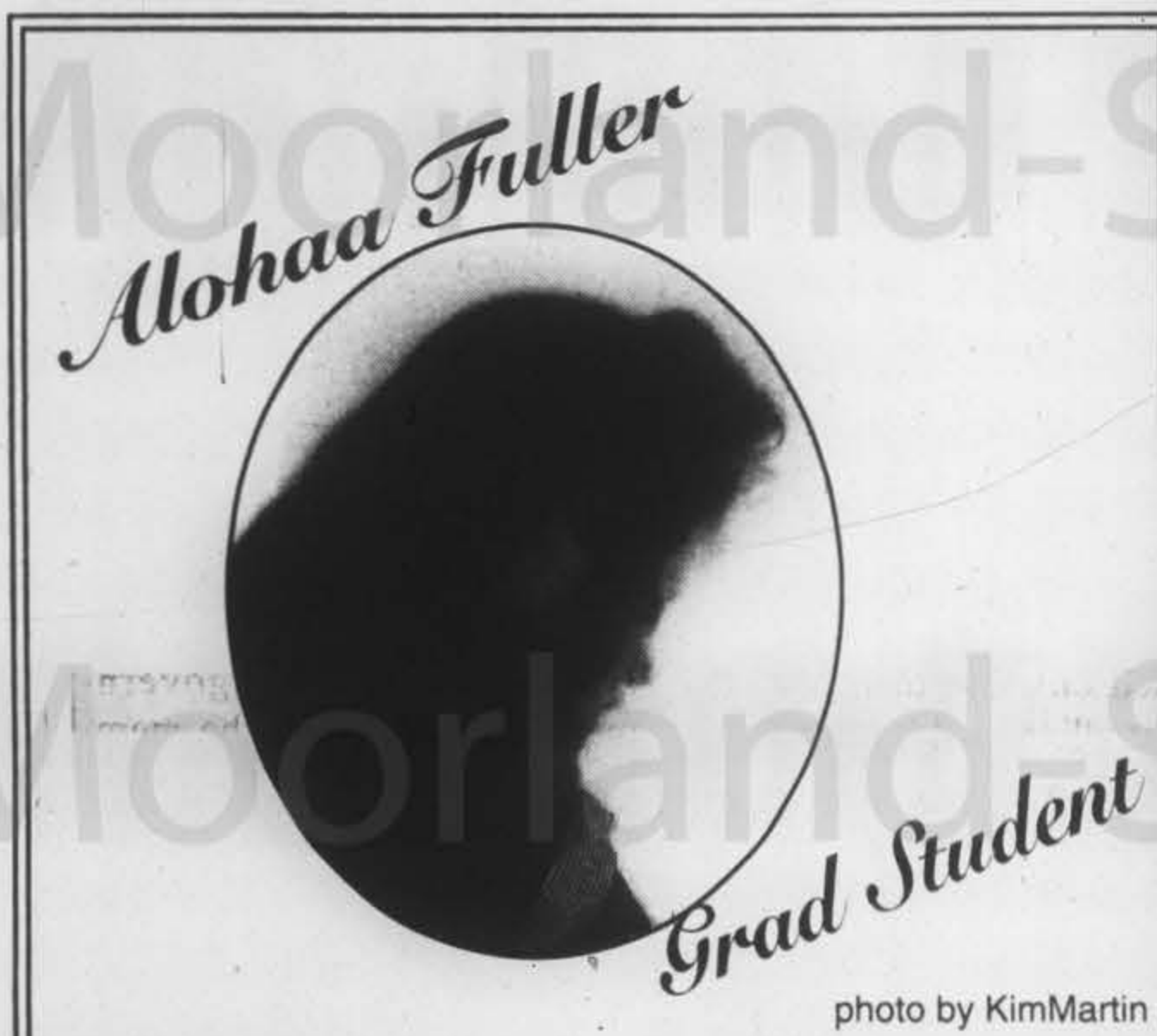
"Go in with a sense of confidence. You have the strengths and abilities just like any other graduate of any other institution, go with that in mind," Dunson said.

But more importantly, Jones said, students should remember to consider their alma mater as a resource.

"Stay in touch with the university. Many students don't realize the resources available as alumni. Read the newspapers, use personal contacts, and if you're still seeking employment, attend job fairs," Jones added.

Arnesa Howell contributed to this story.

Recent Alumni: Where are they now?



By Portia Bruner
Hilltop Staff Writer

When Alohaa Fuller left Howard University's School of Communications in May 1992 with a bachelor's degree in broadcast journalism, she had no plans to get a job in a classroom.

In fact, in January of her senior year, she discovered the dog-eat-dog attitude characteristic of those in the news media industry was not a work environment she would enjoy.

"I realized that you have to be really rough and aggressive in journalism. That includes having to step on some toes, and that's not something I like to do," Fuller said.

Moreover, she added that a bad experience with a journalism professor and boring and unproductive internship at a local television station further prompted her to change her career plans. That was a year ago. Now, Fuller is pursuing study in her true love—education.

Currently attending the University's graduate school, Fuller said she often reported on education-related issues while she was an undergraduate. She also tutored students in reading and math and was involved in a big sister program.

Fuller hopes to complete her graduate studies by December 1993. After taking the national teaching exam, the Thornton, Colo., native wants to pursue a career as a teacher or a reading specialist.

Despite some of her past experiences, she said her four years of journalism studies were not a total waste.

"I don't regret majoring in journalism. I loved interviewing, writing and reporting. And I always enjoyed interacting with people in that type of setting," she said.

Although Fuller said she wishes she had majored in education, she admits that she misses journalism. While pursuing her undergraduate studies at the University, she worked on the staff of the Bison yearbook, THE HILLTOP and Newsvision. During her semester exchange at the University of Southern California, she worked as production assistant at a California production company.

"I could see myself going into the media as an education specialist. But I don't regret being in graduate school," she said. "...It's good to go to grad school."

As of now, Fuller is interviewing for teaching jobs around the country.

Even though Fuller said graduate school is not as exciting as undergraduate school, she highly recommends attending graduate school. Fuller, who said she will be thousands of dollars in debt after receiving her degree, also suggested that students interested in graduate school should start looking for scholarships and fellowships early.

By Frederick J. Goodall
Hilltop Staff Writer

In a world of double-talk and broken promises, it is hard to find someone whose actions mimic their words. But former vice president of the Howard University Student Association, Ras Baraka, is different — he practices what he preaches.

All of his pro-black, do-for-self rhetoric has manifested itself in his chosen career path and other aspects of his life.

When Baraka was at Howard, he gained a reputation for being a radical militant. His impromptu "Yard" speeches on the state of the black community or the apathy of Howard students, added to his aggressive political activism with Black Nia F.O.R.C.E., made some people admire him, while others feared him.

Although Baraka was politically and socially active while



at Howard, many of his detractors believed that his activism and concern for his community would wane after he graduated in 1991. In essence, they were waiting for the revered campus leader to "sell-out." But they will have to continue waiting because Baraka has not "sold-out." He continues to serve his community in several ways.

Baraka, who majored in political science and minored in history, is now an eighth-grade math, reading, and history teacher at the Warren Street School in Newark, NJ, a career that he strived for throughout his collegiate career.

"I always wanted to teach. It's a challenge going to work because each day is a new experience. There's never a boring day," Baraka said.

"Most people should teach. When you walk into a classroom, you see that these students really need you."

"We need more teachers because the educational system is backwards. It's not about our people. We [black teachers] have to put our students in the lessons."

In addition to teaching in the classroom, Baraka teaches through his writing. He and co-editor, Kevin Powell, have just released "In the Tradition: An Anthology of Young Black Writers." Baraka hopes that through his poetry, he can give his people some pertinent information that will help them through the struggle.

"I don't write for the sake of writing. All of my writing has a purpose. Poetry is a way of expressing things as they are. I use it to enlighten and inform," Baraka said.

Baraka also informs his people through the Newark chapter of Black Nia F.O.R.C.E. where he is the National Minister of External Affairs. He is responsible for public relations for the organization.

Baraka accredits much of his success to Howard. Everything from the classes to the campus sponsored programs helped to mold him into the person he is now.

"I learned the most from the people I met and the experiences I had at Howard. There was always some kind of lecture or program going on. I made it a point to attend as many as I could to supplement my education. Students really need to take advantage of these opportunities to broaden their minds," he said.



By Kimberly N. Martin
Hilltop Staff Writer

When Dean Bratton graduated from Howard University in May 1991 with a degree in public relations, he knew what that meant for him — suits and a 9 to 5 office job — until he raised enough money to return to law school. And for less than a year, he was right.

But in November 1991, those plans changed.

Today you can find Bratton working the streets in the District of Columbia clad in shorts, sneakers and a blue t-shirt proudly revealing a D.C. Service Corps emblem.

Bratton said that when he received his degree, he never would have pictured a non-profit, community service organization dominating his resume.

"If you're a communications major, you see yourself being a journalist; if you're in business, you see yourself being a businessman," said the Californian, explaining what he now refers to as his shortsightedness. "We're not exposed to seeing things like this. Being on campus is like being in a bubble. Until you're riding buses and going into the neighborhoods, you don't really know what's out there."

And after nearly two years as a team coordinator for the Corps, which is "a metro Peace Corps" that employs approximately 100 students between the ages of 17 and 23, Bratton definitely knows what's out there.

"Walking into a nursing home and seeing what condition they're (the patients) in, or

helping a kid with his homework or going into a classroom and when a student sees you and smiles, you know you're making a difference," said the former YMCA Big Brother.

Although the Corps is a paying organization, the workers are still considered volunteers.

Unfortunately, most students don't see the advantages in community service, Bratton said. Or, like him, initially they don't see what they have to offer.

After hearing about the position from his former boss at the Department of Commerce, Bratton was unsure of what someone like him with limited community service activities could bring to the corps.

However, today he likens his experience as coordinator for a team of nine to his experience as a Campus Pal.

"I'm helping someone new by guiding them in a new environment, so they can get the most out of it," he said. "I love volunteering. I'll always be connected with the Corps. It's been such a big part of me. I just can't forget about it."

As for his goals of going to law school, they haven't been forgotten, just temporarily put on a back burner.

"It's given me a lot of time to think that I don't think I would have had otherwise. I've wanted to teach, to be a principal, and now I want to be in the FBI," he said. After a moment, he added, "I'm fulfilling my transitional goals. I'm only 24 years old. I can take two or three years off to do something that I truly enjoy. But in two years I plan to be in grad or law school."



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Laurels & Darts

Once again, as part of *THE HILLTOP* tradition, we bring to you a series of Laurels and Darts. This portion of the editorial page reviews the different actions taken, or not taken, by individuals and groups on campus.

The Howard University student population receives a dart for its level of apathy and lack of participation.

To the 1992-93 Howard University Student Association we give a laurel for putting forth programs that were successful whether anyone noticed or not.

The 1992 Homecoming Steering Committee receives a dart for ending the year in the red financially.

To those members of the General Assembly who functioned as a proxy for three and four of their peers, we give a laurel — somebody had to go.

To those members of the General Assembly who never showed up for monthly meetings, we give a flying dart.

To Howard's faculty we give a laurel for handling the tenure situation with such decorum.

To the members of *THE HILLTOP* staff we give two laurels for putting out a semi-weekly publication and never missing an issue (although we almost missed this one).

A Howard Graduate's Purpose

On this graduation day you, Howard University's newest graduates, have great reason to rejoice and be thankful. Yours has been an arduous road fraught with potholes, bad asphalt and rocky circumstance. Everything from the registration process, loan checks, housing and meal plans have been sources of some frustration and much consternation. But now, you're through and ready to take on life as so many graduates before you have.

Your purpose, however, is unique. Despite what the new car, credit card and vacation commercials may indicate, it is not to spend yourselves into easy-money debt. But rather, it is to apply yourself to the tasks at hand.

We, as black people cannot take our success for granted, because the playing field is still severely tilted against us—degree or no degree. Therefore, our priorities and our responsibilities are different from our white counterparts.

For example, the major backbones of our existence and survival in this country have been how we do church and how we give back to the community. Since slavery, the black church has been the major focus point of our organization socially and politically, not to mention our spiritual uplift and emotional stability. When you get to your next destination, take the time to find a good church that will feed you spiritually and will also get you involved.

Community service. Perhaps W.E.B. DuBois said it best when he asserted that it would be black America's talented ten percent who by being educated would propel the rest of the race beyond the points of oppression and racism in which it has laid. He might be shocked today to know that that "talented tenth" of college educated black Americans is probably no more than three percent at best.

When Enough Is Enough

The Howard University Hospital and campus police will stage another protest march on Saturday, May 8, commencement day. They will be restricted from coming onto "the Yard." However, they will be in various locations with bull-horns, signs, etc.

We have written before that we supported the right of the Howard University police to protest and have urged the administration to legitimately and effectively deal with their grievances without turning a deaf ear. However, in this instance, we strongly advise the campus and hospital police to avoid using commencement as means to gain increased attention.

By protesting at commencement, the police officers will actually be in danger of alienating the very constituency which it most needs to seek resolution of its major issues. They have stated that "we have no other alternative but to march..." [and] the administration has demonstrated

Whatever the numbers, those of us that have, should give, and not just money, but time, work and creative ideas for educational and spiritual "upliftment" in our communities.

If drug and alcohol abuse are major causes of death and disease in our poor black communities, then materialism or the race of the "Joneses" is the major cause of death in our affluent and professional black communities. A recent statistic says that suicide is becoming a growing cause of death among black professional men. Brothers and sisters, our ambition cannot be for the amassment of money, baubles and trinkets. Making money is great, but remember its underlying purpose in America—power.

Graduates, you can never take what you have achieved for granted or ever sell yourselves short. The work that we must do from this point forward becomes harder. At times even our true purpose and responsibilities may become muddled in the murky waves of ambition and "success" in which you must define success for yourselves.

If we as black people try to use the material definitions of success used by our white counterparts, we will destroy a nation, forget who we are in relation to our Creator, and begin to reflect the image of our enemy by killing, stealing and destroying everything and everyone in sight. Therefore, be successful in your homes, your communities, churches and in each assignment at work or graduate school that you encounter.

Above all graduates, your purpose is not to maintain the status quo, but to assert the dream of a better society for all of us. You definitely have your hands full, but we are not afraid, because we have known you, loved you and hoped the best for you, the Howard University Graduating Class of 1993.

very little concern on this issue."

All of this may be true, but by taking this day, which is truly that for the brand new alumni and their families, is to forever etch in their minds "that group of extremists who ruined it for us." The alumni who have been here and have seen some of the deplorable conditions complained about by the University's security may forgive, but their parents and family? Not if you ruin this day for them—not on your life.

There are still other venues of protest. As Americans we encourage the responsible expression of free speech; yet, we emphasize the word responsible and hope that you carefully weigh [the course and end results of your actions].

If you truly care about the students as you have claimed throughout your ordeal, then think twice about this line of action. Let the students and their families have their day.

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Letter From the Editor

This was almost the farewell letter that never was after a six-day computer shut-down. In the midst of what has been the most difficult issue to put out, finding the words to express my feelings of my last year at both *THE HILLTOP* and Howard University, is equally as challenging.

Howard University is an institution whose students have a strong base in extracurricular activities. At one time, *THE HILLTOP* could easily be placed into this group. But it is now clear to me that while it remains under the guidance of the Office of Student Activities, *THE HILLTOP* is more than just another campus activity, but a business and must be run as such. As an editing/management

major with a focus on copy editing and only a minor in business, it took a bit of a transition — a year-long transition — to realize *THE HILLTOP* needed someone who was focused on more than just stories, headlines and layouts.

THE HILLTOP also needs staff members who look past the moods and whims of a temperamental editor and will go forth with her ideas whether they like them or not. And that's what the paper was blessed with this year. From dealing with faulty computers to being overworked by semi-weekly issues, they put up with it all and deserve nothing but kudos and acclamations for coming out every Friday...and some Tuesdays too! *THE HILLTOP* needs and

was fortunate enough to have a campus full of newsmakers. From questions surrounding the Undergraduate Student Assembly, to lawsuits from every angle — students and members of student government. I must thank the members of the Howard University community for contributing some memorable commentaries, again from members of student government and other members of the student body.

This has been a year filled with trials, tribulations, tears and triumphs. We have tried to serve in the capacity we were appointed to fill — to be the "Gatekeepers of History." *THE HILLTOP* was and always will be your paper.

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MESSAGE TO THE GRADUATES FROM DR. FRANKLYN G. JENIFER PRESIDENT, HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Franklyn G. Jenifer, President

I am delighted to extend my personal congratulations to you, your families, teachers and friends on this 125th Commencement of Howard University.

Since becoming president of this institution a little more than three years ago, one of the joys I have experienced has been having the opportunity to interact with students. This academic year has been no exception.

I have made some good friends

among the members of the Class of 1993. While I am sorry to have to say good-bye, I am sure that we will keep in touch. I also am confident that I will be hearing about your many accomplishments and triumphs in the years ahead.

My confidence is based on the impressive record of our alumni. Two of them, Debbie Allen and Dr. James P. Comer, are being honored during our Commencement Convocation. These stellar individuals are part of a large and expanding community of Howardites who

are making outstanding contributions in just about every field of human endeavor.

So, dear graduates, you are part of a long tradition of training for leadership, and it is a tradition that should fill you with pride, as it does me. As you probably know, I speak not only as president of this esteemed institution, but as someone who earned both my bachelor's and master's degrees here.

As the years pass, you will find, as I have, that your appreciation of the Howard University will grow. You will

come to understand even more clearly than you do now that here you learned much more than specific facts, concepts and techniques, although you certainly learned these.

You will understand that through the Howard University education you took for granted when you were here, you developed a number of qualities that prepared you superbly to face new challenges. Among these qualities are a strong sense of ethical values; a broad view of the world; a sense of self-worth; an ability to

analyze and solve problems; and an enduring appreciation of the unique heritage of people of African descent.

Treasure these qualities, and others, that were nurtured on these grounds, and vow to support your alma mater tangibly when you are able so that others may be so nurtured.

Once again: Congratulations and Best Wishes!

The writer is the President of Howard University.

A Graduate's Basketball Philosophy

Theodore P. Cummings

Life is like the game of basketball. The object is to put the ball in the hole. It doesn't have to be pretty, just effective. And like life, basketball encompasses the four aspects of any human being — body, mind, feeling and spirit.

The actual swish of the net or chain (or even air) is actually the end result of the pulling together of all other human faculties. Here's what I mean. The body registers to the mind that the ball is in one's possession. It is then the mind's job to plot the best course of action — either a jumper or a gambit down low for the hoop. Next, the emotional state of the player comes onto the scene. He may be fearful or not confident enough to go for the easy lay-up against Shaq's younger brother, so he pulls up for the J. But the process doesn't end here.

There is a spiritual component

to basketball that is often overlooked but is nevertheless there and very important. Once the body is primed and ready, the mind has plotted the correct course of action and has conferred it with the emotions, the spiritual state of the player then asserts itself. After all, the ball is really only an extension of the hand, and the action itself is only an extension of the greater desire to put the "rock in the hole."

This reminds me of life, because I am learning that as an adult my actions and goals have a beginning and an ending with a purpose that is meant to uplift my spirit. Graduating from Howard, finding a good job, going to law school, making good in the eyes of my family — all of these are part and parcel of my spiritual upliftment.

When my hand is hot and the ball just refuses to stay out of the net, my spirit soars with the clouds above everything earthly.

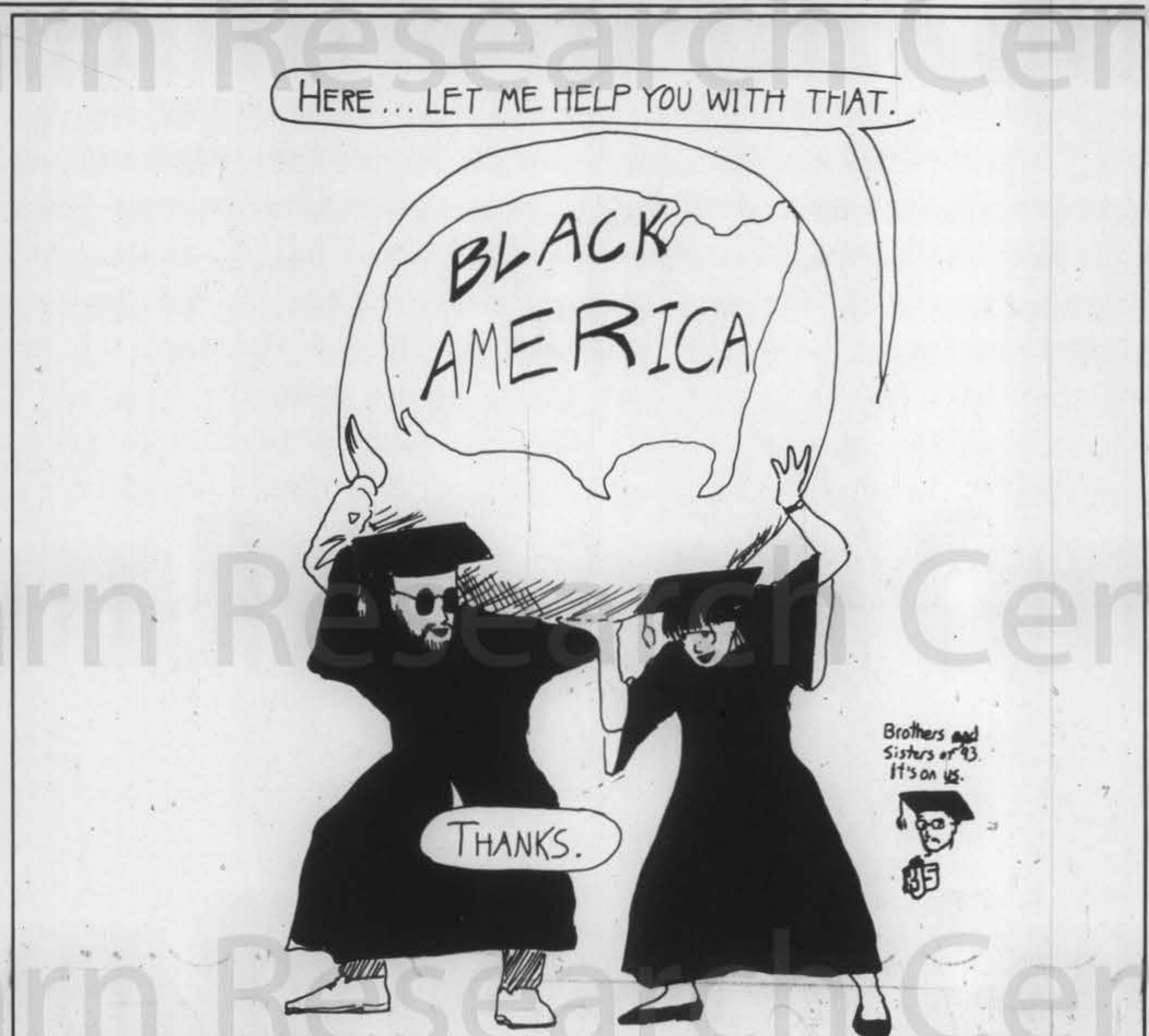
But when I allow fear and doubt

to keep me from driving to the hoop, or it throws my jumper off, my spirit and belief in myself plummet like Haley's comet on a clear summer night — everybody can see it!

Like everything else, I'll probably spend the rest of my youth trying to perfect this game, trying to put together all aspects of my being into a winning package that will allow me to effectively and consistently put the ball in the basket (i.e. get the job done).

As a graduate, I will now spend the rest of my youth, and a good portion of my 40s and 50s completing and perfecting those tasks that are before me. I'll just have to line up my shot, take a deep breath, check my confidence, say a prayer...and do it, just do it (i.e. put the rock in the hole). Swish.

The writer is a 1993 graduate in the School of Engineering.



Students Say "Give Us Professor Philip"...

Dawn P. Mills

CALCULUS!

This one word has driven more fear into the hearts of Howardites than the fear the Nazis drove into the Jews. Even the normally stout-of-heart are less than sure of themselves when they are faced with this monumental challenge for the first time. And understandably so, when one considers that for decades African Americans have been socialized to fear and, consequently, to hate mathematics.

Our school curricula and teaching methods from elementary school through college seem bent on making math not a benefit, but a burden to blacks. If this tragedy is allowed to continue, our people will be increasingly marginalized and unfit for the work force of a technologically advancing world, due to our inability to reason and

our lack of analytical skills. It follows that empowerment would not only be a travesty, but would in fact remain mere rhetoric.

It is within this context that students at Howard should appreciate the untiring efforts of dedicated math professors like Peter Philip. And indeed we do, for any one of the more than 130 students who take calculus with Peter Philip each semester would testify to a new-found understanding of math.

Mr. Philip takes his job very seriously. So seriously in fact that he — unlike most other professors — holds himself greatly responsible for whether or not his students learn. He is not just content to lecture and leave the chips to fall where they may, for he understands the importance of math to life. He recognizes the need for us to be "re-doctrinated" if we are to learn to think for ourselves.

Mr. Philip's normal class size for calculus is approximately 145 — almost four times that of any other math class — a major undertaking for any professor. Additionally, in the past, these classes seemed to have been relegated to the most dismal accommodations where the lighting was poor, the acoustics were horrible, the air-conditioning was faulty and the seating arrangements uncomfortable and inadequate. So not only do students have to deal with their fear of math, but the math department makes life even harder with large class sizes and inferior accommodations. Should we wonder if this historically black university is at all concerned with the empowerment of the people it is pledged to educate? In fact it is, it must address the inadequacies and deficiencies of the math department with the utmost urgency.

This brings me to the imminent

demise of Professor Philip. Presented with the challenges of inadequate accommodations and fearful students, Mr. Philip still manages to succeed where most others fail. His methods may not always be conventional, but the same old methods will only yield the same old results.

When you can inspire 150 students to study a subject they hate, for 15 hours per week, that is success. When you can get a freshman football player to score 104/110 on a calculus test, that is success. When you can get a whole class to earn grades of "D" or better, and more than 25 percent of them earn "B" or better out of a calculus course, that is success. When you can be so concerned for 150 students that you know each one by name, that is success. When you can teach 150 students — African-American students who have been brain-washed to be mathematical-

ly impotent — and teach them how to think, THAT IS REAL SUCCESS!

There is no doubt about it — we need more Peter Philips. We cannot stand idly by and allow jealous individuals in the math department to get rid of a man because he has succeeded where others have failed. Castigation should not be a reward for success. Many students have expressed their outrage that the math department would actively seek to terminate a professor who gets the job done, and gets excellent results. Students, let your voices be heard. Mr. Philip has cared for all of us, it is time that we cared for him. Rally for Professor Philip and let the University and the math department know that we need him now more than ever, for we are ready to think for ourselves.

The writer is a sophomore majoring in finance.

Becoming your brother's keeper...

Mychelle Curl

A week ago, one of my white peers asked me when I was graduating. "Eight more credits," I answered with a smile. "Why do you want to know?" I questioned.

"You have the burden of your race on your back," he answered.

I swallowed hard thinking of the depth of what he said. I am concerned about teen pregnancy, and drugs, and AIDS, and Somalia and all of the other problem spots for my people, but how will concern turn into a cure for all that ails "my people?"

He was right. It is on me. It's funny how he picked graduation day as the day this responsibility would begin. I have involved myself in various projects before, but after graduation, excuses for not being at the fore-

front of the solution are no longer valid.

We are experiencing a waning of civil rights, civil liberties, set asides and affirmative action. White people are struggling to find jobs in this recession, thus fueling the conservative right wing agenda of our nation. There is less room for everyone as companies nationwide downsize and restructure to compete in a globalized economy. There is less room for everyone and most assuredly, less room for "us."

In the midst of being caught up in the euphoria of being able to walk across the bridge of integration into middle-class life and for some, assimilation into the Eurocentric mainstream, many of us are prevented from seeing the correlation between us and the everyday person of color. It

is not until the illusion of the rainbow disappears that most of us will have to face the reality of a world that is black and white. If we are to exist in the future, we must fuel our own political agenda and deal with the masses of our people who have not had our privileges, a college education being one of them.

Many of us are embarrassed to come home to the black community when we find out that the illusion of integration does not exist. Rest assured, however, that you can come home. If we can live in this society with all of its cruel realities, then surely we can accept you back. Home is not some mythological black community. Home is a philosophical ideal. It is the state of consciousness where one makes a commitment to uplift people of African descent

throughout the Diaspora from current political, cultural, economic and educational where it becomes necessary to throw away the European concept of individualism and regain the Afro-centric concept of collective responsibility.

I am willing to acknowledge my responsibility. However, I refuse to see helping my own as a burden as my peer phrased it. I challenge the Howard peers to see it as a privilege.

We are the only people in this country without our own institutions. We cannot compete. We perpetuate our problems and use racism as an excuse for not succeeding. In 1993 we are still knocking on the door begging white people to let us in. Integration should be an option, but we don't have that option, because we don't create our own

institutions. We cannot say, "I'm going to put my money in the black bank," or "I'm going to be insured with the black company." Why can't we use the model of the black college as a model for other institutions? Black colleges are the one option that we have created and maintained for ourselves.

Yes, the task is burdensome, but the privilege lies in leaving Howard with the knowledge to deliver a whole people from economic and social despair. The privilege lies in shaping the community and continuing to build on yourselves. Face it, the white man not only doesn't want you, but will have no choice but to disregard you when his brother needs a job and can't find one. It is happening now.

The truth is that in order to survive in this nation we are

going to have to return to the days where we had our own world within this one. On Georgia Avenue, like many other avenues in a black community, we have managed to maintain a beauty salon and liquor store on every other block. We make sure that we feel good and look good at any cost. The next step is to replace the banks with black-owned companies and the large restaurants and the supermarkets.

Feel good about graduating. Feel good about finding a job to elevate your lifestyle. But be realistic enough to know that eventually, the job you are most likely to keep is the one you create.

The writer is a 1993 graduating senior in the School of Communications

COMMENTARY II

A Resolution for Change: A commitment to fellow students

Terri R. Wade

Greetings brothers and sisters, now that this school year is finally at an end, most of us can take a break from the normal routine of classes and/or work. I am sure we have all grown this semester—spiritually, socially, and culturally. I also hope that everyone has been outstanding scholars or at least improved from the previous semester(s). Most importantly, I pray that we are learning, teaching and taking advantage of the opportunities presented by the Howard experience.

This has been a very interesting and active year. Many issues have affected H.U. students, both directly and indirectly. We have felt the hunger and sickness of our people in Somalia; been victimized by the injustices of Haitian refugees; been grief-stricken over the loss of Jeffery Domar's prey,

and will face four years of decisions made by newly elected President Clinton. Locally, the District of Columbia has seen protest and rallies for "civil rights" stemming from abortion to homosexuality. Our community has been terrified by the Mount Pleasant/Columbia Heights killer. Still closer to home, many pressing issues have touched a Howard students—faculty tenure, financial assistance, international surcharge, security and HUSA elections to name a few. With committed, accountable leaders, any issues of your concern will be handled in the most efficient, expedient, and productive manner possible.

A Resolution for CHANGE is a commitment to students. A commitment to be a true representative of students throughout the campus. A commitment to address matters of your concern and take a firm, intelligent stance on

those points. We have made a promise to keep you informed about what is happening on campus and in the community, and to be your voice in decision-making and negotiations with administrators, faculty and staff.

Primarily, Resolution for CHANGE is the answer to some problems of H.U. students; i.e., the resolution is the solution. It has been decided by Terri R. Wade and Reginald X that a change must take place. Change is good; change is natural; and change is absolutely necessary. There will be a CHANGE at Howard University—a change for the better.

Upon the request of students, many things that occur on campus must be brought to the light and dealt with. Almost every student is affected by issues such as health care, financial assistance, security, community affairs, and

collective work and responsibility. The CHANGE platform reflects the following important issues: Comprehensive Health Care Reform—AIDS Conference, Preventive/Supportive Services and Lobby for gynecologist; Scholarship Data Bank; Cooperative Reform—Student Leadership Retreat, Collective Work Coalition, HUSA Progress Report, Calendar of Events, and Cultural Expose; Task Force—Monthly visits to Dormitory, Address Meal Plan, Security, Computer labs, Library hours, HU policy and more; International Affairs—Political Action Committee, Financial Assistance for Internationals; and Community Outreach Expansion.

To ensure the progression of the university as well as our platform points, we will be working very hard over the summer to pre-

pare for a successful and productive school year. The summer staff will be working everyday no less than 10-15 hours and as many as 40-45 hours per week. Each staff person will be treated just as employees. Everyone will sign in and out, be required to work a minimum number of hours and complete certain tasks each week. Since these duties and responsibilities are very demanding and some staff will be doing other things (i.e. summer school, community service, etc.) each summer staff member will be paid a salary. The staff includes the traditional administrative positions along with coordinators for each of the projects on the platform. We are certain that these tactics will allow us to accomplish our goals for the 1993-94 school year.

Summer goals include setting the foundation for the points on the platform and having working

results by the beginning of the school year. In addition, we are compiling a Black Business Directory of all local businesses and vendors, planning an African Market Place for each semester, coordinating a Pan-African Festival, establishing a new Teacher Evaluation process and much more.

The fast pace world places many burdens on Howard students. As elected officials responsible to you, the staff of Resolution for CHANGE is committed to providing a visible, honest and uncompromising leadership to its constituents.

We pray that you have a joyous, lucrative and safe summer. See you next semester! Peace and love.

The author is the President-elect of the Howard University Student Association.



To Dave, Chaka, John, Will, Da-Da, Rodney, Steve W., Lisa R., Nomad, Asa, Fred, Kim, Ted, Karen, Sharmonna, Londa Gray, E. Jamal, Bert, Sherin, Corly, Tandra, Nikki, Marina, Rhonda, Katrina, Jen, all the teachers I was cool with (you know who you are), VLAD, Johanna, Tiffany, Kemp, Goldberg, Ayck, Sheronda, Courtney, Alan, Viki, Bill, Tiffney (CRAPUS), and even Gerald... thanks, those I forget... I love it!

The Rodney King Verdict: What does it mean?

Bashann Prewitt

Not since the Brown vs. Board of Education case, or for that matter Plessy vs. Ferguson, has there been such a compelling issue of Civil Rights for black people as presented through the Rodney King trial. At least that's what the media would have you believe.

The jury found Sgt. Stacey Koon and Officer Lawrence Powell guilty and found Officers Timothy Wind and Ted Briseno not guilty.

"Justice has prevailed."

Did it really? If so, then for who? Did it prevail for the people of Los Angeles that were worried for months of another riot erupting? Did it prevail for the 12 jurors who were theoretically intimidated into giving a verdict that would please the people of South Central.

For now, let's leave Rodney King out of this. He only played a small role in the verdict, as far as justice prevailing for him.

Ever since the reopening of the Rodney King trial, it looked as if Los Angeles was under siege not by criminals, but by the media.

The media made it an automatic assumption that if the four policemen were again found innocent then the

people of South Central, Los Angeles would do what they did a year ago. This definitely was one hyped assumption.

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and the National Guard were training for urban combat and getting in place for what might happen after the verdict. Believe me, this wasn't just about protecting the people of L.A. It was about using whatever means of force necessary on the people of South Central if they got out of hand. THAT'S HOW RODNEY GOT BEATEN!

Thanks to the jury, that didn't happen.

Just what was being said during deliberation between the jurors? Were they actually deciding on guilty or innocence of the four police officers, or was a deal struck between the two black jurors and the 10 other jurors. "We'll give you Koon and Powell, but let the other two walk." Was justice actually served, or was it expediency? What does two guilty and two not-guilty verdicts mean?

Are we better off now than we were before the verdict? Will the police now begin to protect and serve all of its American citizens without bias? Will the police respond as quickly to trouble in inner-city neigh-

borhoods as they do in the suburbs? Should the police start taking courses in racial sensitivity and cultural diversity (whatever these terms mean)?

How should we act (black males in particular) or respond when the police approaches us? Should we act scared, agitated, shiftless or like a decent human being that deserves respect?

Did this trial, in some way, encourage some kind of an amendment to the U.S. Constitution: "For every black citizen being beaten by the police one-half to two-thirds of the law enforcement officers involved will be found guilty."

Did justice for Rodney King prevail, or was he discounted?

We need to be in control of our own destiny, not the American judicial system. It's quite obvious that just because two white men are going to jail for beating a black man doesn't mean they are going to treat us any better than before the verdict was made. Just look at the riot preparations by the LAPD.

Oh well, I guess justice was served. I might as well go home and watch COPS.

The writer is a sophomore majoring in print journalism.

Rough Side of the Mountains

Trinez Moore

The cost of having big breasts weighs as a heavy burden upon my life. Even though most men love it, and "some" men hate it, I get so tired of statements and gestures being yelled and thrown at me from strangers in the street! I get so tired of people asking me questions and making general conversation, not to me but to my breast.

When I meet people on a normal basis, my breasts become a barrier that females and males just

can't seem to get past. Males don't get to know the real me because in their minds, they are conjuring so many sexual acts they can perform with my breasts. Females on the other hand can't seem to believe that "her boobs are HUGE!" or "How in the world is she going to breast-feed?"

Some men, surprisingly enough, hate the fact of a young lady having big breasts for whatever reasons. Then you have others, whether they like it or not, make statements like, "Can you see your feet?" or

"When you turn over, which goes first, you or your breasts?" The one that really gets me is, "How did they get like that?" Like you are supposed to say that every night you play with them just to make sure you can achieve that 50FFF. Sometimes, even little kids, as innocent as they are, stare so hard until you feel as little as they are.

While reading this article, many of you are probably wondering that if I am that bothered about my breasts, why not have them reduced?

Why should I? Society

helps form this so-called obsession with large breasts, so I've learned that it's something that I have to come to grips with! Of course I have thought about a reduction numerous times, but going through a portion of my life with the gestures, the stares, and even the comments, I realize that I can handle it. I am satisfied with me, with what I've become. Once people get past the exterior and get to know the interior, they'll find that there's more to me than meets the eye. If you don't have confidence in yourself and believe in yourself, than

who will?

I see my breasts as a part of me. They are what makes me unique and different. But, everyone doesn't have the same mentality as me. Some people's breasts bring hardships every day of their lives. A breast reduction is what they would love to have, but unfortunately, it's a very expensive procedure. Therefore, those who can't afford it just have to deal with the "problem" as they deem necessary.

It's good to know and realize what you are saying to a person

or how to confront them when saying what you have to say. If you can, make every effort to control what you say, when you say it and how you say it. Get to know a person before you make judgments (that goes for any situation!). And to all my breast-loving brothers, once you overlook those "obstacles" and begin to enjoy the total package, who knows, you may get the chance to have your fun after all.

The writer is a Junior majoring in Broadcast Journalism.

Reflections of a Proud Howardite...

Christopher Coleman

As the yard fills once again with an outrageous number of chairs and as instructors clamor to get in the senior grades on time, I sit down to reflect upon another year at Howard University. This reflection is specifically memorable because it is my last, as I am a graduating senior. Before I close the books on "all-nighters," the endless (and ever dizzy) words to the my fellow Howardites. I have written many a heartfelt commentary in my day, but this, I think, will be the most dear.

First, to all of the faculty, administrators and staff that I have had the pleasure of coming across, I had a great time. Sometimes the meetings were long, sometimes the discus-

sions were long, I know some of the class periods were definitely long, but, on the whole, I have perceived you to be the very best at what you do. I have traveled to the likes of Michigan, Berkeley, Seton Hall, Rutgers, USC, UCLA, Duke, Georgetown, and all other area universities, among others, and I have sat in on some of their classes. Let me tell you, the faculty at those other schools could not come close to touching you! Not only are you the best at what you do, you are the best at how you do it. There is no perspective-like the Howard perspective and the way you teach it! Anyone, black, white, Native American, Latino American, Asian American, ANYONE, would benefit from the Howard University perspective and

should experience it.

I made the comment once before that all races should spend at least one semester at Howard University as a requirement for graduating from any institution of higher education. I strongly stand by that and always will.

So, to all the faculty, administrators and/or staff that I have called "Doc," that I have laughed with and at in committee meetings, that I have harassed about bonus points on a test, that I have constantly pestered for letters of recommendation, I say thank you and I wouldn't be so tough on you if I didn't love you. Ha! Don't like your own rhetorical medicine, do you?

To my colleagues, Howard is a trip, ain't it? Registration lines, rallies at noon just like

on "A Different World", trooping down to that freshman party at the WUST in packs of 20-deep, seminars and classes that make you go to your room and just sit and think, trying to beat the curfew at Drew and the Quad, almost falling in the bleachers from trying to "shake yo thang" too hard when it comes to your part of DO IT, DO IT, DO IT, chillin' on the yard when you you're supposed to be in class, trying to keep your room in the towers from falling apart, trying for that matter to get some sleep in any of the dorms, having to go to school on the middle of a blizzard while all other area schools are closed. All that is Howard and ain't it a trip!

To my fellow, graduating seniors, WE FINALLY MADE IT! No more papers, no more

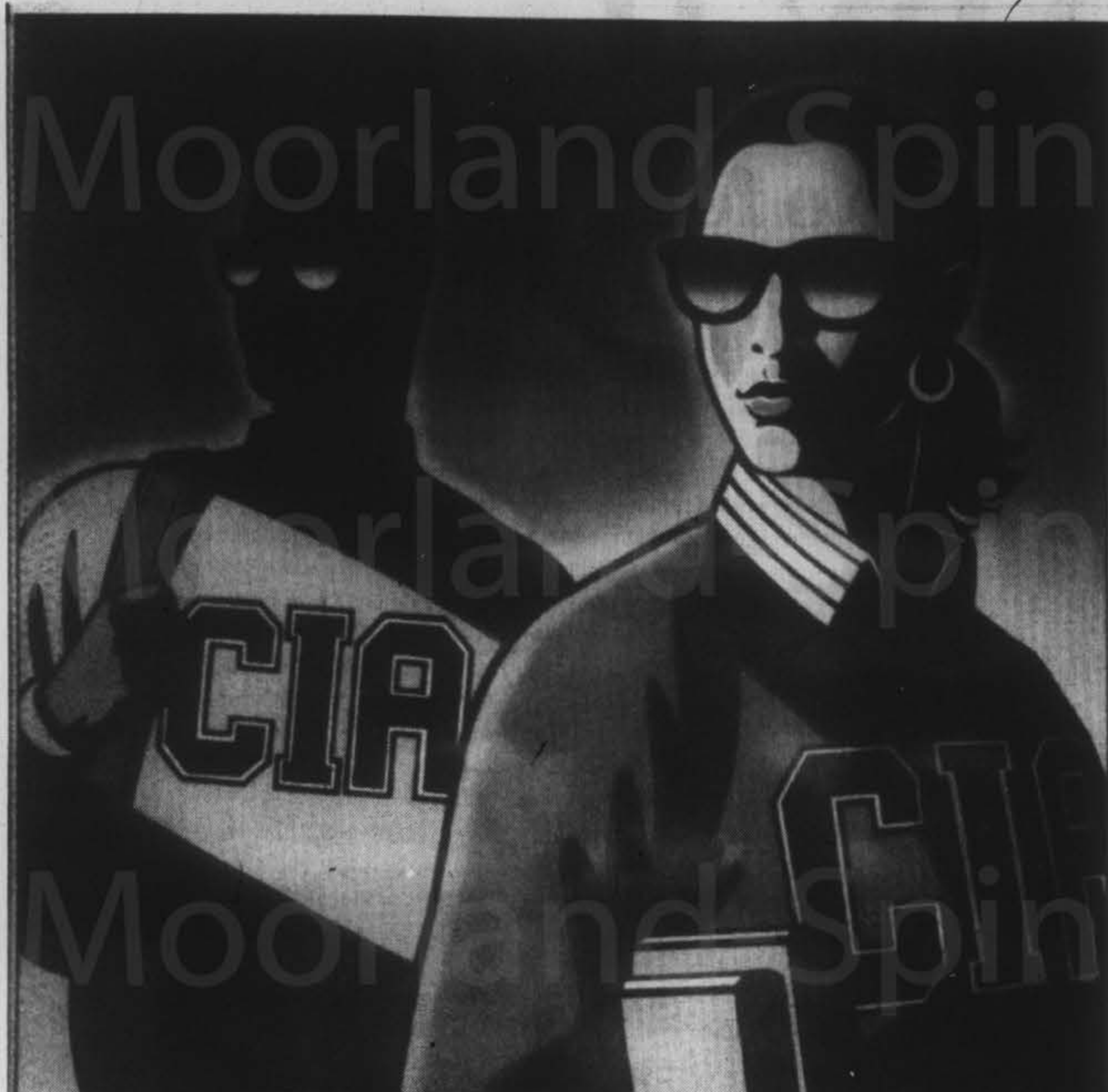
books, no more giving teachers dirty looks! We have been through a lot together but now IT'S OVUH!! More on that when I see you with my overfull bottle of champagne on graduation night.

One thing though...I have realized that the whole world does not revolve around it. I hope you have too. To all who have had the pleasure of working in and with the Small Business Development Center, it has been the best working with all of you. We all know that it is one of the most fun and best run operations on Howard University's campus. I consider the staff and all the students that came through, my friends for life. Last, speaking of people of a lifetime, to my FAM(ILY). You are all the best of the best at Howard. You

know that. I love you all and consider you all my blood sisters & brothers. Keep on truckin'. And once again, the best is yet to come.

So there you have it. Long-winded reflections of another graduating senior. Yes, I know you will all miss my Indiana Jones hat, my political waves, jokes and smiles, and my constant Richard Dawson kisses. But, alas, I gotta go. Faculty, administrators, staff and colleagues, take care, I love you and God bless you all. And how about we all work to hookup that semester at Howard requirement Joint' when I become President of the United States. Cool? Cool.

The writer is a graduating senior majoring in political science.



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INTERNATIONAL

Kenyan writer urges blacks to adopt African tongue

By Kimberly Bryant
Hilltop Staff Writer

Kenyan writer Ngugi Wa Thiong 'O urged the African diaspora to decolonize the means of imagination and one way of doing this is to acquire an African language.

This is the message he brought to the Howard University community at the 42nd Burch Memorial Lecture last month, at Rankin Memorial Chapel.

Thiong 'O emphasized that the imagination, the maker of images is powerful. For this reason, he stressed, those who control the imagination inevitably control the production of images.

In addition, he said since language is part of one's imagination, the adoption of the colonizers language is hazardous. He reminded those who are Afrocentric in perspective that

speaking an African language is primary thinking in African culture and gaining a sense of self.

"Colonizing the mind is dangerous, because language is part of self definition. And it is through language, the colonizers controlled Africans," Thiong 'O said.

"Like a peasant accused of murder under colonialism, Africans have been alienated from expressing their own tongues and made speechless with English and French. As a consequence, the peasant is dependant on an interpreter to save his life. He becomes a foreigner in his own country," Thiong 'O continued.

Ngugi Wa Thiong 'O is currently a professor of comparative literature at New York University and publisher of the highly acclaimed "Decolonizing the Mind: The Politics of Language in African Literature



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Ngugi Thiong 'O autographing his books at a reception held at the Armour J. Blackburn Center's reading room after his lecture.

(1986)."

He challenged University faculty to decolonize its curriculum and implement

African languages. He played on the irony that a black universities would have African history scholars who spoke no

African languages.

"It is crazy to have a professor of African history who does not know a word of an African

language. Have you ever heard a French scholar not know a word of French?" Thiong 'O said.

In his closing statement, Thiong 'O reminded the audience of language as a means of imagination and its power to make visible that which has been made invisible.

"To struggle to use all means of imagination to make all humans imagine a world economically, politically and culturally free for the majority. I believe this is not a small task to undertake," Thiong 'O said.

He conceded that part of the difficulty which faced Africans worldwide from attaining this goal is the fact that they did not control those means which generate the images to the masses — television, radio and publishing. It is a long process, but it has to be enacted, he maintained.

Caribbean ambassador speaks on trade liberalization

By Omowale Elson
Hilltop Staff Writer

The resurgence of interest in regional integration, trade liberalization and cooperation in the Caribbean and Latin America is taking place in a new context says Dr. Richard Bernal, Jamaica's ambassador to Washington and the Organization of American States (OAS).

Addressing the opening of an OAS two-day workshop on "Trade Liberalization in the Western Hemisphere" recently, Bernal said the new context was the rapid and qualitative phase of globalization.

He said: "It is taking place in a world in which we are faced with the emergence of

trade blocs, where the multilateral system, as represented in the negotiations in the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement of Trade and Tariff (GATT) is stalled, where we see

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--Dr. Richard Bernal

increasing interdependence in trade and investment among the countries of Western Hemisphere and we see a new movement for economic reform and liberalization through regional arrangements, a logical

and natural extension of that process of internal reform."

The seminar had four objectives: to document, review and analyze the various initiatives on trade liberalization and regional integration within the Hemisphere; to analyze and highlight the factors which account for the resurgence in interest in regional trade arrangements; to examine the prospects and trends for future Hemisphere arrangements; and to examine the role of the OAS as a forum in regional trade developments.

Bernal noted that since the Caribbean and Latin America were now emerging from the traumatic experience of the Great Depression, they were finding new challenges even



Dr. Richard Bernal

though the world was more promising.

"These challenges are new and more complex. It has been the challenge of that new reality which has prompted our countries to embark on unprecedented efforts to implement economic reforms and structural adjustment, to abandon old models of development and adopt new ones."

Dominican Republic violates human rights

A United Nations panel on Human Rights has expressed alarm at the large number of prisoners awaiting trial. In addition, the experts on human rights have asked the Dominican government to crack down on its security forces which have been accused of using torture as a weapon against the people.

After a detailed examination on human rights in that Spanish-speaking country, the Human Rights Committee whose members are drawn from Asia, Latin America, Africa, the Caribbean, and Europe, also condemned the republic for the slave-like conditions under which Haitians were still being forced to live and work in the sugar industry, despite numerous complaints from other agencies including the Geneva-based International Labor Organization (ILO).

To solve the problem, the experts asked the government to enact stringent laws against torture and to impose severe punishment on the security forces responsible for such crimes.

Laurel Francis, an expert from Jamaica, said he was disappointed with the way the issues of torture and use of firearms were being handled in the republic.

But Janos Fodor of Hungary openly accused the security forces of using excessive force when carrying out their duties. Moreover, he said the government was using forced labor in the workplace and was allowing slave practices to continue. Also disturbing, he said, was the unsanitary conditions in the prisons.

It was evident that the Dominican Republic was failing to protect the fundamental rights of its citizens, he charged.

Area groups protest Zionism, United States policy in Libya

By Omowale Elson
Hilltop Staff Writer

Several area pressure groups met under the umbrella of the World-Wide African Anti-Zionist Front recently to heighten their protest and resistance to Zionism and the U.S. policy toward Libya.

The event, which was staged at the Blackburn Center, also marked the seventh anniversary of the U.S. bombing of Libya and the resistance to the "illegal" travel ban on Americans to the African state.

In an interview with the Hilltop, Rafiki Bayette, an organizer of the All-African People Revolutionary Party (A-APRP), said: "Breaking the travel ban is the first attempt to stop the United States from isolating Libya. We believe that the attempt to isolate and demonize (Libya) is another attempt to attack.

"We particularly find it to be abhorrent because Libya is in Africa and an attack on Libya is an attack on us."

Representing the United Negro Improvement Association-African Communities League was William Jackson-Bey who said his organization was in solidari-

ty with those who were not only smiting imperialism, but were on the front-line against neo-colonialism and parasitic hegemony of the African race and people of color."

The Front's educational brochure said Zionism is an effectively organized worldwide

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--Rafiki Bayette, All-African People Revolutionary Party

fascist system, and only through effective worldwide organization would it be smashed. The front, which conducted its founding conference was held in June, 1991, has 28 affiliated organizations, including the Azanian People's Organization, Caribbean Revolutionary

Committees, Revolutionary Committee of Senegal and National Resistance Movement of Uganda.

Kwame Afok, president of the Provisional Government of the Republic of New Afrika, an organization founded at a conference in Tripoli in 1991, said

Zionism continues to have a major influence over the lives of African people through control of the media, political figures and the educational system.

But the Front maintained that: "Zionist Israel's occupation of Arab Palestine has forced the Arab world to waste billions of precious dollars on armament making it impossible for these newly independent Arab nations to concentrate on strengthening the economies of their countries and elevate the living standard of their people."

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Howard's international organizations hold elections

In his out-going speech at ISA's annual general meeting at the Blackburn Center last Friday, John Sumner, president, said the new executive faces the challenge of broad-

sion will be on "Perspectives on the Meaning of Democracy." This session will bring together experts in African sociology at Howard University; Greek phi-

“U.S. democracy from a Global Perspective: U.S. Foreign Policy and other Models of Government” will be



Other countries participating in the debate at the second Preparatory Committee meeting two weeks ago were Austria, Federated States of Micronesia, Sri Lanka, New Zealand, Jamaica, Guinea-Bissau, Grenada, Benin, Marshall Islands, and Singapore.

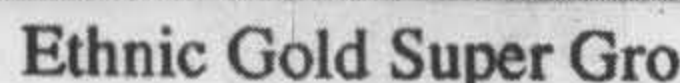
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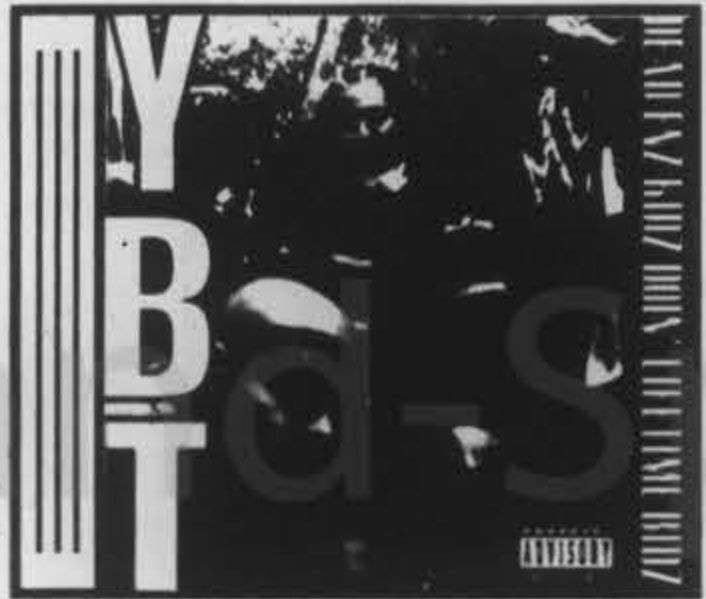
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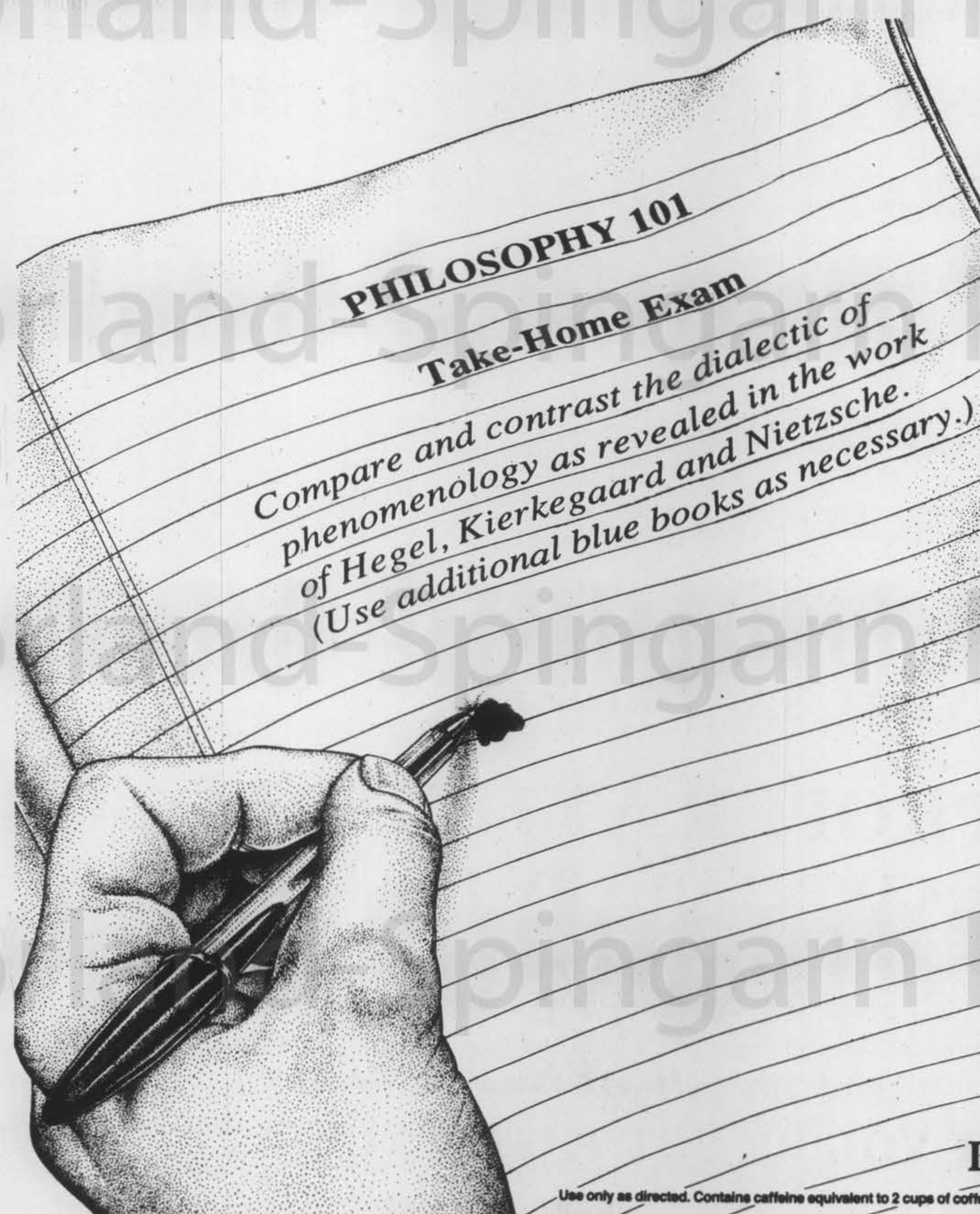
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Brown to deliver address

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the larger issues."

Dana McCurry, a graduating advertising major, hopes the secretary of commerce will give an inspirational message and offer promise under the Clinton administration.

The board had initially solicited President Clinton to speak, Cowan said. Second in line was the First Lady, Hillary Clinton.

According to an unofficial source, the President will deliver the commencement address at Morehouse College in Atlanta.

Allied Health students demand program change

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increase in the number of jobs opening up in the field, students are baffled as to why they are not able to get on with their training.

Sophomore Toussaint Lake, who has satisfied the requirements and has a 3.38 grade point average, is fourth on the alternate list. "I am at a loss as to what I am going to do because I would have to start all over and I can't afford it," Lake said.

However, students have refused to take this lying down. They have come together and organized themselves, gone to the administration with research and documentation and have gotten positive results from a meeting two weeks ago with President Franklyn G. Jenifer who informed them that their interests were a top priority.

The students must now await the results of last month's board meeting which mapped out next year's budget.

"People say that black males are always on the street, but we work hard and can't get accept-

Howard receives funding for international affairs research

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The grant will be used to conduct an in-depth exploration of cancer prevention methods and educational efforts.

This project represents one of few studies aimed at decreasing cancer rates in Black communities.

Department Chair Florence Bonner is one of the chief investigators for this new project.

"I have assembled a broad coalition of Black social scientists, psychologists, church

organizations, universities and health professionals with a demonstrated track record of commitment to the African-American community to labor together to promote, disseminate and adapt cancer prevention behavior in urban communities," Bonner said.

The first phase of the project will focus on detailed data collection which will later be developed into a handbook of statistics and prevention methods.

ed to this program," said George Brownlee, who is majoring in physical therapy. "You can study all day and you still might not become a physical therapist."

Qualified black men are not the only ones on the waiting list as Daphne Jones and Karen Lewis also await the results. Jones is a sophomore with a 3.7 G.P.A. and is a recipient of a National Competitive Scholarship, but she was put on the waiting list and doesn't understand why.

Lewis, who transferred from New York University and has a 4.0 average said that the reason she left New York was because few minorities are accepted into the program there. "If we can't come to a black university and get accepted, then where can we go," Lewis asked.

Allied Health officials declined an interview, but said that things are looking positive as all the necessary channels have been touched upon. "All students can do now is wait.

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Around the Corner

Education is central to black Washington

By Joyce E. Davis
Hilltop Staff Writer

From the early 1870s to the late 1950s, the District of Columbia maintained two separate school systems—one for white students and one for blacks.

In 1877, J. Ormand Wilson, the District's white superintendent of schools, declared that the educational ladder in the city was too short and needed to be extended at both ends with the addition of a high school and a kindergarten level. However, the District black citizens had had a high school for seven years when the superintendent made that statement.

The Preparatory High School for Negro Youth, the first public high school for black students in the United

States, began in 1870 in the basement of the 15th Street Presbyterian church, then moved to the Sumner and Stevens School buildings and the Myrtilla Miner Building at 17th Street, between P and Q streets, N.W.

In 1891, the school relocated in a brick building at the intersection of 1st and M streets and New Jersey Avenue, N.W. Taking its name from its location, M Street High School was the precursor to the equally impressive Dunbar High School (1916).

There were a number of reasons why M Street High School was so prestigious. Unfortunately, the physical facilities and equipment were not included in these reasons. The school had neither gym nor lockers for physical education, no pool or track, nor even a yard

or grass outside. Science laboratories were too few and inferior to those in white schools.

What was so great about M Street was the impressive faculty credentials and the ambitious and progressive direction provided by a succession of distinguished principals.

Between 1870 and 1890, the Preparatory High School was headed by Emma Hutchins, the only white administrator of these early years; Richard T. Greener, the first black graduate of Harvard University; and Mary Jane Patterson, considered to be the first black woman to receive a college degree in this country (Oberlin College, 1862).

Talented Francis Cardozo, Sr., was the first principal at M Street site. A minister, politician, educator and a South Carolina native, Cardozo

worked as a clerk in the Treasury Department and taught Latin at Howard University before becoming principal of the M Street High School.

During Cardozo's

of high schools even suggested that black students should not pursue an academic curriculum as rigorously as that for white students could. Cooper, with the support of the city's black

and college preparatory curriculum. Dunbar was among the few black high schools in the United States whose students could enter a major northern college or university without some special entrance examination.

Dunbar drew its student body from all over Washington and Georgetown.

A great majority of the students came from the long-established, best-educated and wealthiest of Washington's black families. However, Dunbar and Armstrong Technical (1902), the city's only black high schools, were open to any black child desiring a secondary education.

The academic credentials of the Dunbar faculty compared favorably with those of professors at many U.S. universities. In 1921, for example, three black women on the staff held doctorate degrees.

With school desegregation in 1954, Dunbar became a neighborhood school. Although the school's alumni bitterly opposed its demolition, the historic old Dunbar was torn down in 1977. A new inner-city style school building was constructed around the corner at 1st and N streets, N.W.

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tenure, enrollment more than doubled from 172 to 361 students. In addition, the strenuous classical curriculum was expanded to a full four year program, including four years of Latin.

Cardozo was followed by Dr. Winfield Scott Montgomery, Robert Terrell and skilled educator Anna J. Cooper. During Cooper's tenure, the major issue surrounding equal education was vocational versus traditional education.

College preparatory institutions such as M Street came under attack. The District's director

middle class community, successfully resisted the pressure to turn M Street into a trade school.

In 1898, M Street High School's black students scored higher on the city-wide standardized tests than their white counterparts at Eastern High School. These impressive results have been attributed in large part to the scholarship and teaching of the school's talented faculty. Of the thirty staff members in the late 19th century, twenty teachers had received degrees from northern colleges and universities and five from Howard University.

In 1916, M Street High School moved around the corner to its new building on 1st Street, named for poet Paul Laurence Dunbar.

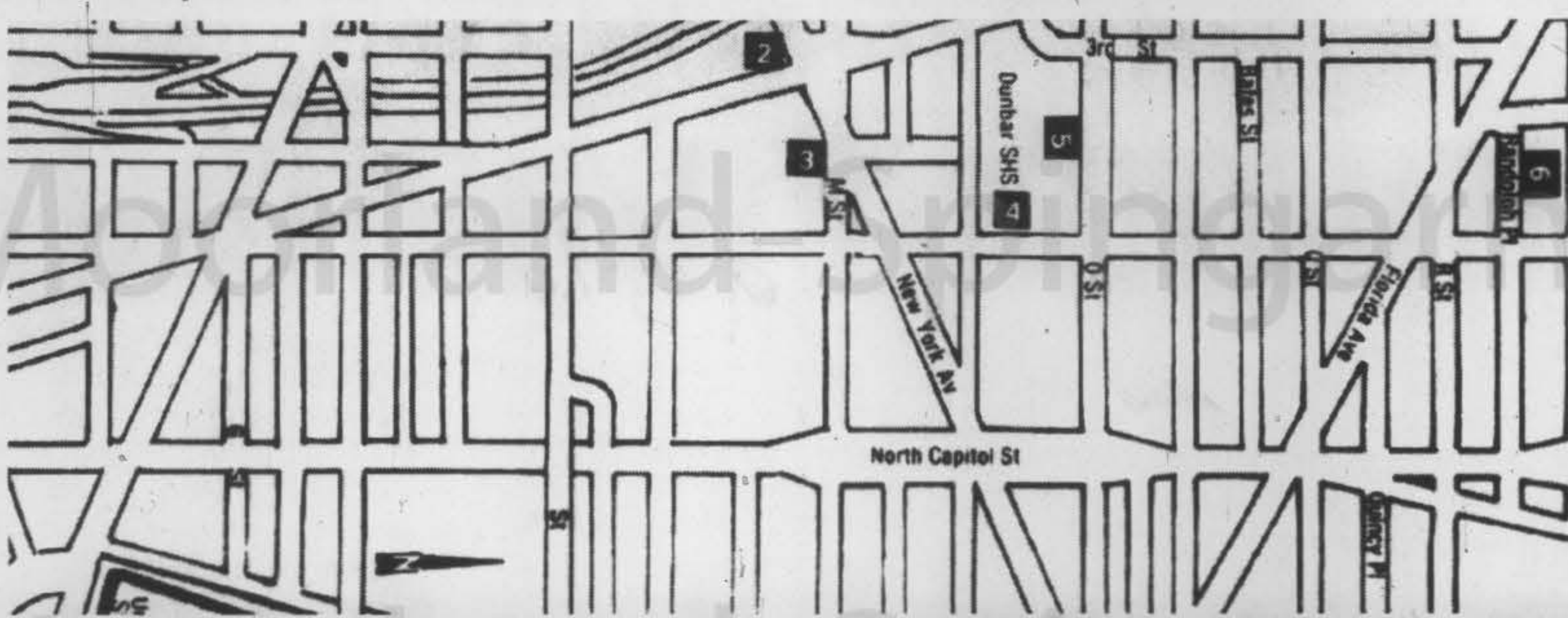
One of the premiere black schools in America, Dunbar had a strong liberal arts

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1. Al Walker Bootblacking Stands and Messenger Service
2. Bible Way Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ World

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3. M Street High School
4. Site of Dunbar High School
5. Armstrong Technical High School
6. Barnett-Aden Gallery



NORTH CAPITOL

Neighborhood is home of many segments of black history

By Joyce Davis
Hilltop Staff Writer

When visiting the North Capitol Street neighborhood, there are four sites that you definitely should not miss.

The first is Al Walker's Bootblacking Stands and Messenger Service, which was located at 50 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E. In 1901, the Union League directory described the Service as "probably the most unique, and at the same time successful business enterprise, conducted by a man of our race in Washington."

Alfred H.T. Walker's main stand was located outside the B&O Railroad Station, site of the present day Union Station. A College of Pharmacy (New York City) graduate, Walker utilized his knowledge of chemistry to manufacture his best-selling shoe dressings, dyes and colorings.

Next, you should stop by the Bible Way Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ World Wide on 1130 New Jersey Avenue, N.W. The church, which just celebrated its 65 anniversary in 1992, evolved from tent to temple.

After several years in storefront, from 1931 to 1947, the church held services in giant tents to overflow crowds at its present church site. Today, the large building complex consists of the Bible Way Church, the adjacent educational and recreational addition and the recently completed Bible Way Temple, seating 3,000 people.

Bible Way has been a primary force in the economic revitalization of its inner city neighborhood. In 1973, the church financed and built the Golden Rule Apartments and Supermarket, a 10-story housing complex for low and moderate income families occupying the 900 block of New Jersey Avenue.

Armstrong Technical High School is a

third stop, you should make when visiting the North Capitol area. Established in 1902 for black students, Armstrong Manual Training School, was named to honor General Samuel Chapman Armstrong, a white commander of a freedmen's Civil War regiment and the founder of Virginia's Hampton Institute.

Actually an experiment in vocational education, Armstrong evolved from attempts by supporters of Booker T. Washington's educational philosophy to convert M Street High School to a trade school. By incorporating M Street's recently instituted business and technical courses, Armstrong's courses of study appealed the advocates for technical training at M Street.

The success of Armstrong was largely attributable to its first principal, Dr. Wilson Bruce Evans, the father of Madame Evans, the first black professional opera singer. Evans assembled an outstanding faculty and his zeal and enthusiasm permeated the school.

Beginning with 16 students, Evans nurtured Armstrong into a student body of more than 700 at the time of his retirement in 1912. The outstanding educators that followed Evans included: Garnet C. Wilkinson, Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Arthur C. Newman and Dr. Benetta B. Washington, the wife of the city's first mayor.

The last site on this tour is the Barnett-Aden Gallery. The first black privately owned and operated art gallery in the United States opened in October 1943 on the first floor of a row house located at 127 Randolph Street, N.W.

Initially, the residence was home to the gallery's owners, Howard University professors James V. Herring and Alonzo Aden. Herring founded the University's fine arts department in 1922 and Aden served as the first curator of the University's Gallery of Art, founded by Herring in 1930.

Prayer group grows into historical church

By Joyce Davis
Hilltop Staff Writer

St. Phillips Baptist Church, located on North Capitol and K Streets, NE started as house to house prayer meetings in 1892. Later in that same year, the group of people who held these meetings secured an old community schoolhouse on St. Phillips Hill for their first church building.

In 1941, the congregation had to vacate the newly renovated building on St. Phillips Hill due to urban renewal. Under the leadership of the Reverend William H. James the church purchased the property at 1718 Florida Ave., NW. In 1945, the Reverend Wilbert C. Cole became pastor.

In January of 1974, St. Phillips temporarily left its premises on North Capitol and K Streets for a general renovation project to improve its historic structure.

On June 5, 1974 St. Phillips Baptist Church was recommended and accepted as a historical landmark by the Conservation Society of the District of Columbia because of its architectural design.

After four years the congregation, 160 strong, returned to its landmark. This small group began tithing 10 percent of their earnings and pledging large sums of money above their tithes. This meant that the church had to serve as its own general contractor. They were able to save \$50,000

by doing much of the work themselves.

During this renovation project, a great controversy arose between the older and younger members. The younger members wanted to build a new church and the older members wanted to renovate. A split congregation resulted.

Reverend Cole, who had been with the church for 28 years, resigned in December of 1973 and half of the congregation left with him. They established a new church, which they called Cole Capitol Hill Baptist Church.

St. Phillips did recover and is in the process of completing phase two of its renovation project.

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BUSINESS/FINANCE

New government report to lower national cable prices

By Edward Thomas
Hilltop Staff Writer

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has published new regulations that will affect the viewing pleasure of students, that is—all those with cable, in the upcoming new school year.

In the FCC's 475-page report, including 43 pages of forms and charts, regulations were spelled out as to what constitutes a "reasonable" price for cable service in the government's eyes. The report was commissioned to determine whether cable operators meet FCC-mandated prices.

According to the Washington Post, Federal officials stood by their predictions that the new regulations will reduce monthly rates by a

national total of about \$1 billion a year, with about three-fourths of the nation's 58 million cable households seeing some decrease. The agency said earlier last month that a majority of systems will be forced to roll back rates by a maximum of 10 percent starting this fall.

In addition, all operators will be required to eliminate price increases that have occurred since Congress passed the Cable Law in October, potentially whacking 5 to 7 percentage points off current cable prices.

A report said, the rule's effect on the rates in the Washington area remains unclear. Several cable systems contacted either had not seen the FCC-issued report or had not begun to make changes.

However, local rates have risen faster than the indus-

try-wide average of 58 percent between 1986 and 1991, and are subject to higher-than-average rollbacks.

Some observers say the complexity of the FCC's handi-

is the responsibility of municipal officials, and few suburban and rural towns have a full-time regulator to adjudicate the complex rate scheme.

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work could play against widespread rate reductions by the fall.

One major portion of the regulations, concerning rates charged for basic programming,

Washington Post, "The FCC has taken one big national political controversy and made it into 10,000 local political controversies, each of which went its way back up to the FCC's doorstep,"

said James P. Mooney, president of the National Cable Television Association.

In such cases, local officials could pass the responsibility back to the FCC, although the FCC has been complaining for months that it is short of staff and funds for additional regulatory duties. The rules also allow cable operators to demand individual rate hearings under certain circumstances, which would further burden the bureaucracy.

Wall Street investors apparently read the FCC document as good news for the cable industry. Shares of major cable companies soared about 10 percent after the release of the regulations and recovered much of what they had lost when the commission announced the broad outlines of the price plan last month.

Tele-Communications Inc., the world's largest cable company, was up \$2.50 to \$21.50 per share. No. 2 Time Warner rose \$3.37 to \$36.37 and No. 3 Comcast Corp. gained \$2.12 to \$20.62.

Analysts said investors were relieved that the FCC basically had gone easy. "When people started to play with the numbers, they started to feel this is livable," commented John Tinker, who follows the cable industry for the investment firm Furman, Selz Inc.

An analyst with Prudential Securities Inc., Melissa T. Cook, said, "Our response is that there is so much information in those 500 pages that it's difficult to tell what it all means. We're taking a wait-and-see attitude."

Many new alumni are faced with unemployment

By Portia Bruner
Hilltop Staff Writer

Judging from the job market, there will be a number of unemployed graduates come May 8, according to Howard University Career Services Director Samuel Hall.

Cedrice Davis, a graduating senior who majored in zoology, said, "Although I am excited about graduating and becoming financially independent, it is scary because the job market is not good for today's graduates." She added, "many of us will have to resort to waiting tables and working in retail stores in order to make a living, even though we have a degree."

Hall said, "The situation has been the same for the past three years. This country is still in a recession and there are fewer job possibilities than in past years. The nationwide job base has shrunk."

Hall cited IBM, AT&T and General Motors as examples of major companies that are having to lay off thousands of employees for the first time in years, if ever. He added that companies are not just cutting individuals' positions, they're down-sizing whole company divisions. According to Hall, this is a serious indication of the status of the entire job market.

The director explained that those graduates who do find jobs will only find them after a protracted search. Unless they've already been interviewed by at least 10-15 companies before graduation, Hall said, graduates may find their searches unsuccessful.

"Everybody's sending out millions of resumes at this time of the year. And it just doesn't do any good. Out of 200 resumes, you may only get 50 responses," Hall added.

"It is so tight out there, said senior who majored in marketing major James Anderson, "I've had internships since I was a freshman, and I still can't get a job. I have go back home until I can find a way to support myself."

In addition to facing a decrepit market, students must also confront the intense competition. Hall said that students tend to forget that their competition is nationwide, and not solely among their University cohorts.

He added that employers also look for certain competitive drives amongst their interviewees.

"Most companies want the graduates who have had 20 interviews, not just one or two. If you haven't had any or at least a few interviews, or if you start looking for a job after you graduate, interviewers are going to wonder what's wrong with you and question why haven't you tried harder," the director said.

Hall suggests that students strive to have a job or an internship in their chosen field the summer before or during their junior year. The key to getting the job is looking eagerly, according to Hall.

"I can't say why, but students don't really seem interested in getting jobs. Any student at Howard had at least 40 shots at job opportunities just through (the Career Services Office). Some companies are just looking for students to train, regardless of what their degree is in," Hall said. More students need to take advantage of the office, he added.

Graduate school is also a viable alternative to going immediately into the market that Hall estimates six out of 10 Howard graduates normally choose. Many Howard students are joining the ranks of their peers and choosing graduate schools to delay the perils of life outside of Howard's comforting gates.

"I'm a wimp. I have to admit," said graduate Lori Henderson who majored in philosophy. "I don't want a job now, I probably could not handle the stress so I applied to grad schools with the intention of not getting a real job for at least two more years."

"Every year, about 40 percent of Howard graduates go to graduate school. As much as 50 percent of liberal arts graduates go to grad school. But even with this number of students not going directly into the work force, the market is still very competitive," Hall explained.

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-James Anderson, a graduating senior in marketing

Due to recession, grads resort to internships to build experience

By Mark Harmon
Hilltop Staff Writer

As as a new class of college seniors face the challenge of launching their professional careers in a very tough job market, many students wonder what separates those who find meaningful employment from those who are not as fortunate.

Many are finding that while strong grades and work-related course work remain important, employers are increasingly interested in the work experience of applicants.

"In the current market, employers want to know that a new employee can hit the ground running and make an immediate contribution to the organization," says Douglas Harpel, president of National Internships, a company which publishes internship guides for areas around the country. This means that the most successful job seekers will be those who have gained some experience, and demonstrated some ability before they graduate.

National Internships assists students and recent graduates in Washington, D.C. and across the country in identifying and securing career-enhancing paid internships and summer jobs. The National Internship series, which began several years ago with the Insider's Guide to Washington DC Internships, has now expanded to 12 guides which spans the country.

According to Harpel the motivation for expanding the series came largely from the enormous positive reaction of both students and career guidance professionals. "What we heard was that our Guides provide exactly what students want—an inexpensive source of succinct, accurate and current information on internship opportunities available in a wide array of professions," Harpel said.

The flagship of the National Internship series, which is now in its 7th Edition, has sold more than 10,000 copies. It details career opportunities for all majors not only within government, but with a wide variety of private firms and non-profit organization. Information on special intern-

ship services and programs, including apprenticeship or fellowship opportunities for qualified students, is also provided.

National Internship Guides are unique in that they are both current and accurate. Updated regularly, the Guides provide the most up-to-date details available on thousands of internships. Position duties, pay, hours, qualifications, application directions and deadlines are addressed. "Our Guides are built from the student's perspective..." says Harpel. "Students want the most current information, and they want it immediately. Updating our Guides regularly and sending them out immediately upon order via first class mail are ways that we provide services."

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According to Harpel, "Recessionary times result in greater competition for entry-level positions. This increased competition highlights the importance of internships as a means for students to distinguish themselves from other students."

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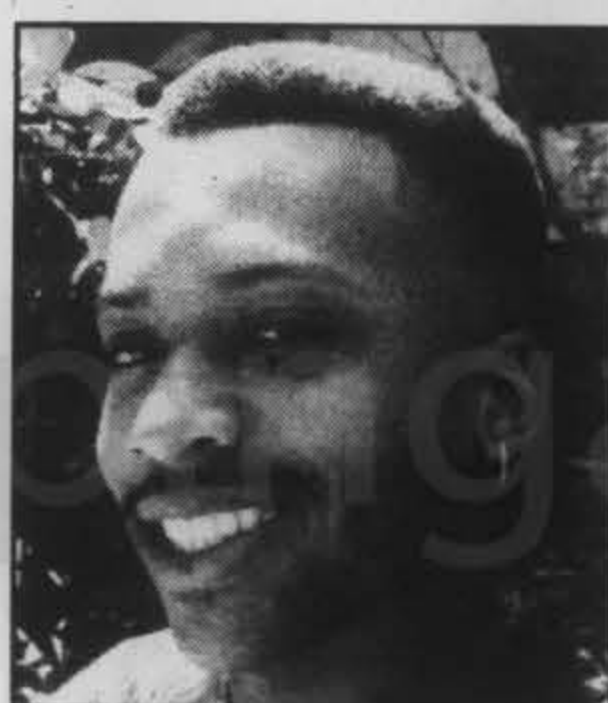
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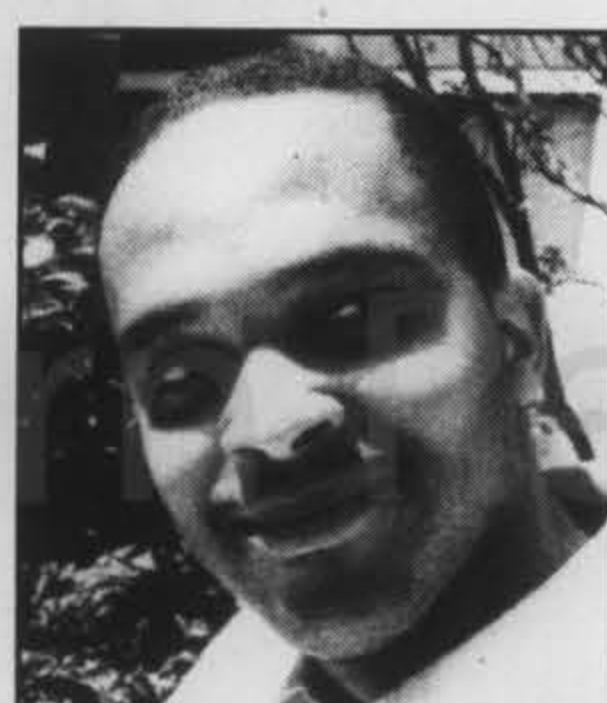
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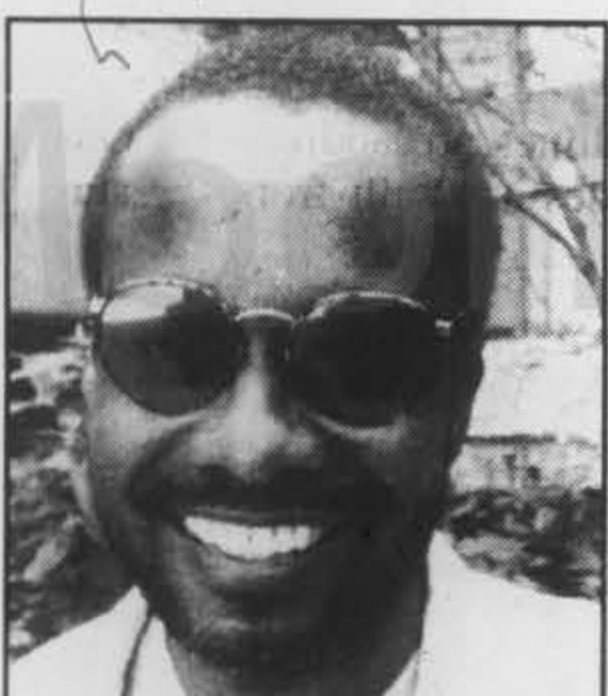
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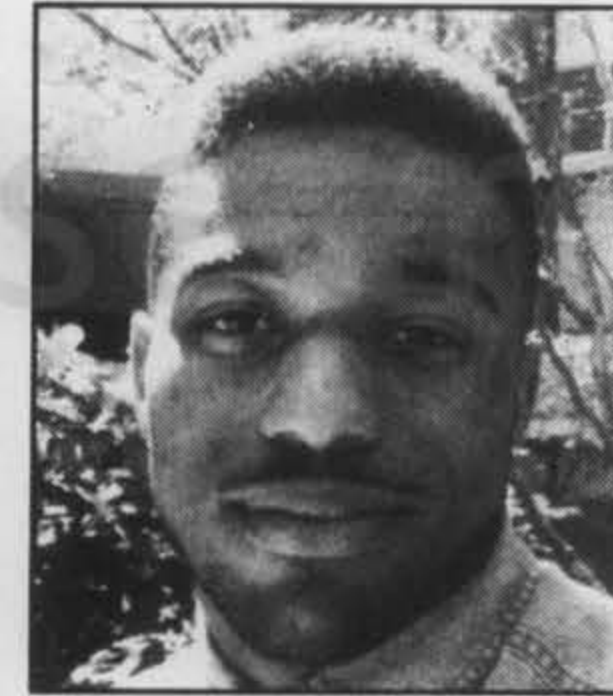
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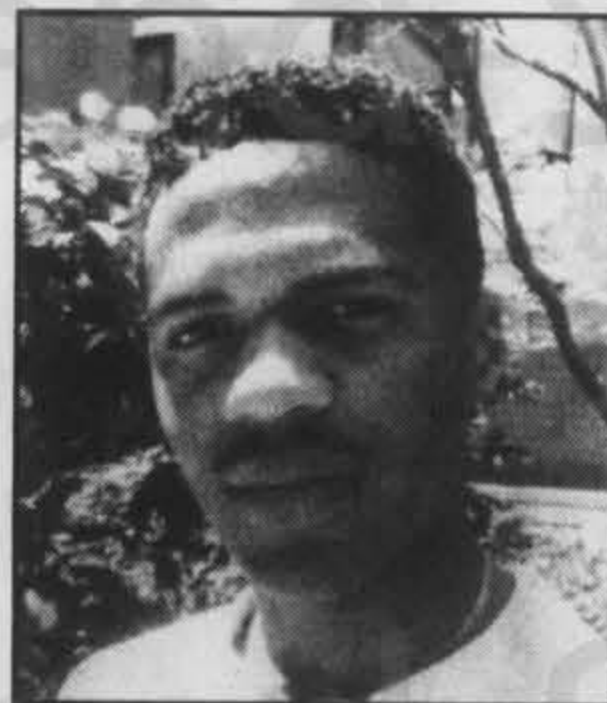
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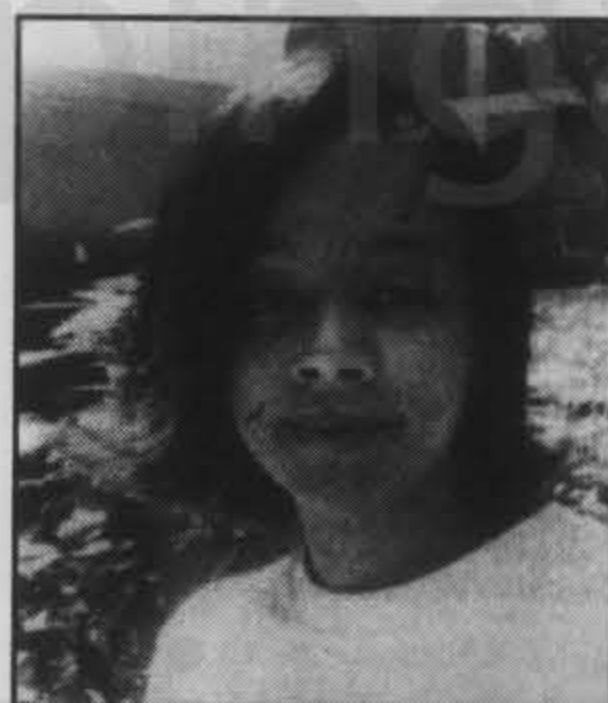
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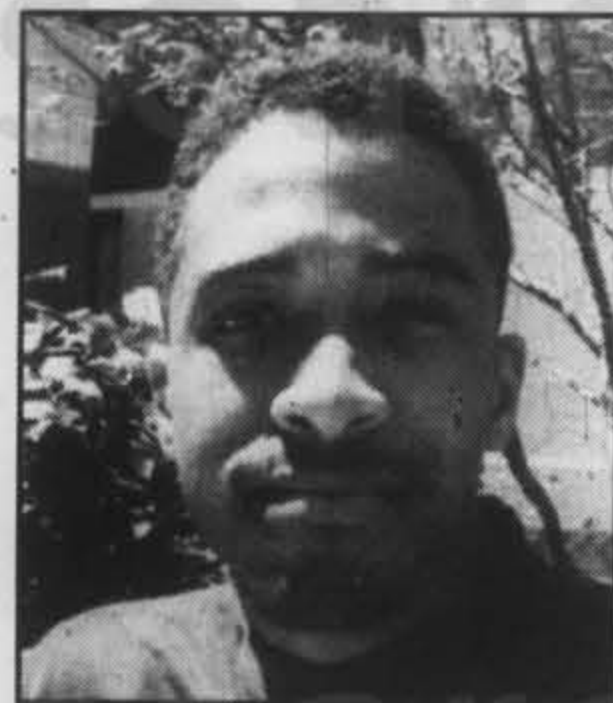
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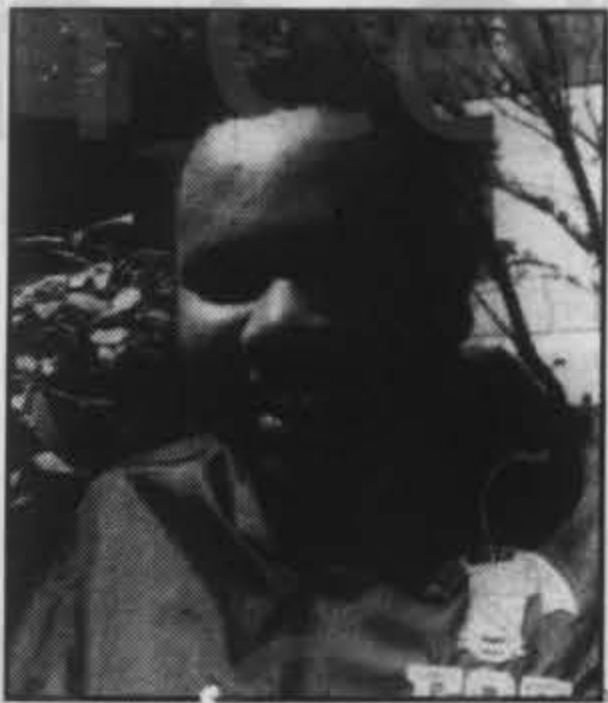
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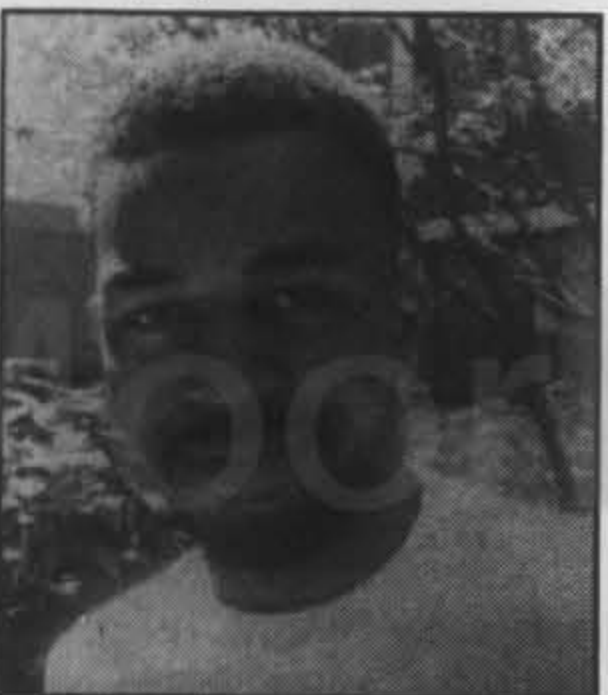
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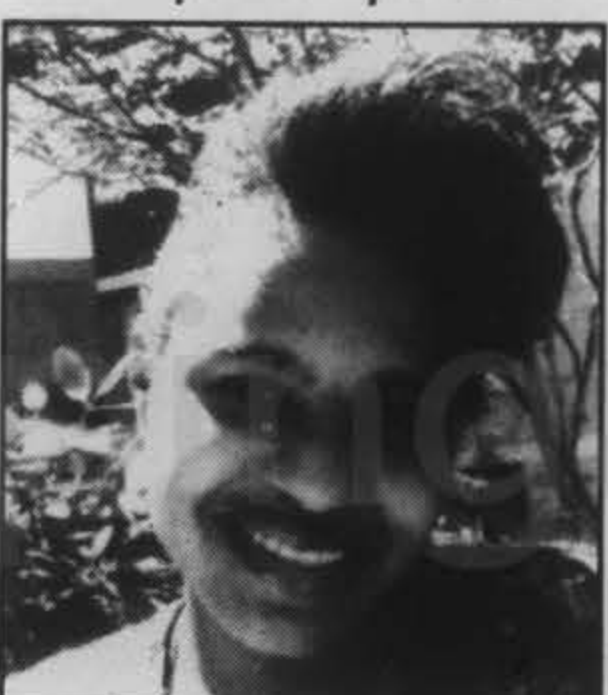
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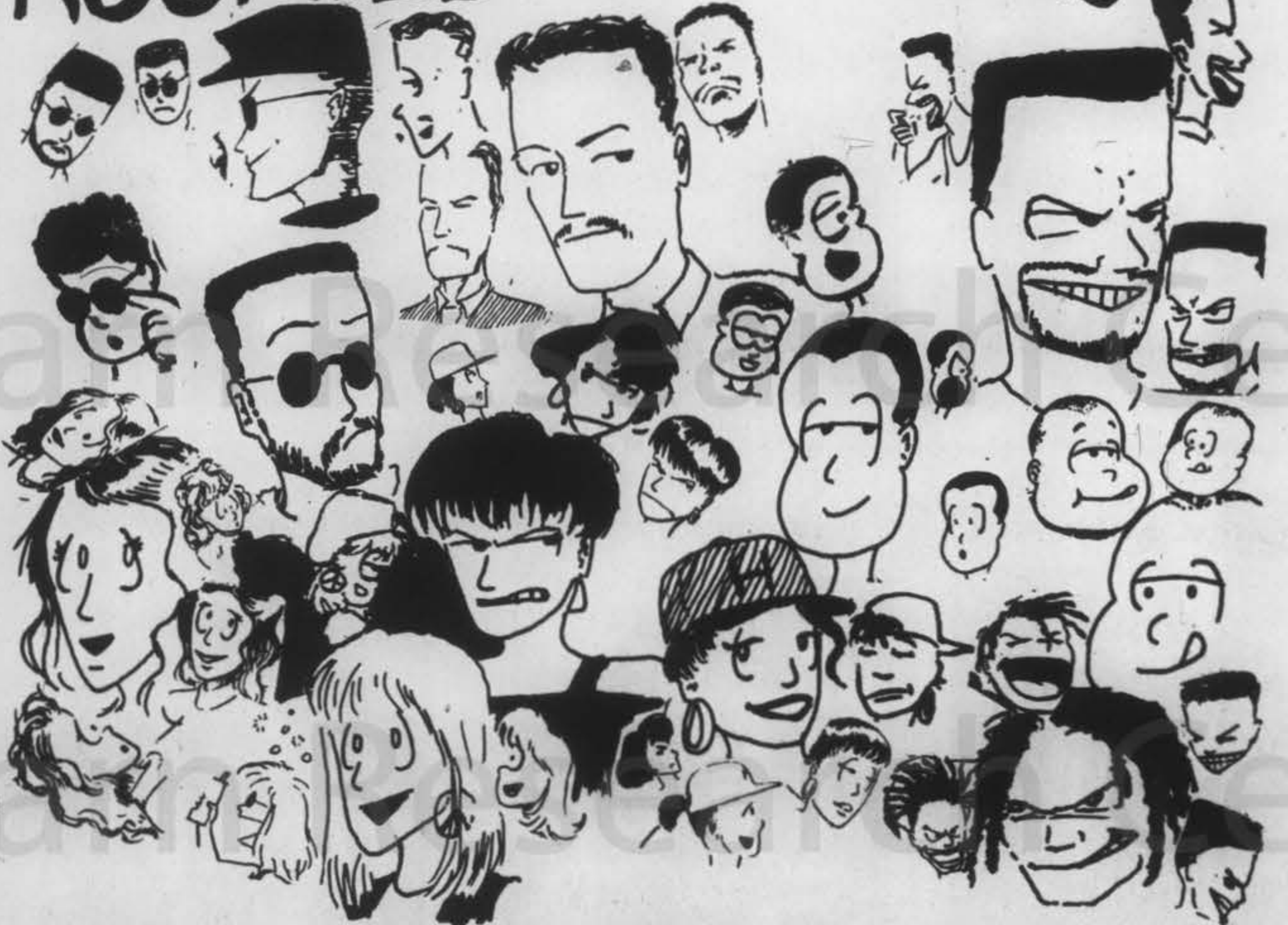


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TWO YEARS AGO, WHEN I TRANSFERRED HERE FROM UNIVERSITY OF GA., I BEGAN THIS STRIP IN THE HILLTOP. IT WAS BOTH A BEGINNING AND A REUNION; I'D DRAWN A COMIC STRIP FEATURING MANY OF THESE CHARACTERS IN HIGH SCHOOL (CAN YOU GUESS WHICH ONES?). I'VE PROCEEDED TO HAVE A BLAST WITH PERPETUALLY SHADED STEVE, BAD-TEMPERED SHUNIQ, STIFF DAVE, EARL THE MACK, LAURA THE LOVESICK, ALCOHOLIC DOPE FIEND KATE, EVER-CHANGING NICE GIRL SHAE, CLUELESS CLIFF, SLOBBISH 'J', AND DANIEL THE EVIL BOY. ALTHOUGH OTHER IDEAS LIKE FREEMAN DEMANDED MY ATTENTION, THESE ROOMIES HAVE HELD A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART--AND, I HOPE, YOURS. IT'S TIME TO SAY GOODBYE, BUT GOD WILLING, WE'LL ALL MEET AGAIN SOON.

--KHARI J. SAMPSON, 1993 GRADUATE

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disorder & disorganization cause dissatisfaction with commencement exercises past victims plead their cases

By Chelsea Stalling
Hilltop Staff Writer

Lee Willis had worked four long hard years to get his bachelor's degree from Howard's distinguished School of Business. He anticipated even more having a host of relatives and friends travel to the capital city to share this special event with him. That long awaited ceremony turned into a day that neither he nor his family would ever forget.

The baccalaureate exercises for the School of Business were held experimentally last year in a nearby church. There were no rehearsals or estimations of attendance. The church was unable to accommodate the hundreds of people who had come to witness the graduation of loved ones.

Many parents were forced to wait outside in the sweltering heat while those inside were escorted out immediately after their son or daughter had received their degree. As for Lee, at least his grandmother had a good seat... in the pulpit!

"It was so crowded, disorganized and hectic. My family was spread out, and my grandmother had to sit in the pulpit," Willis said.

This unfortunate incident and other complications are not unusual for many of the 17 schools and colleges on Howard's campus.

For the past three years, graduates of the School of Communications had to attend three ceremonies. First, a breakfast is held at 7 a.m. in the Howard Hotel's Ballroom for

graduates and their parents. Then the University-wide commencement exercises are held on the main campus. Finally, communications students are requested to come to their school to receive their degrees in yet another ceremony.

Orlando Taylor, dean of the School of Communications, feels that the agenda for the graduates should be shortened.

"I think the breakfast is great. It provides a place to take the class picture, and we can give out all of the awards. Keeping the guests on campus for three or four hours is just too long," Taylor said.

The School of Communications relies on its Student Affairs Committee to organize the graduation ceremony. Members of this committee include department chairpersons, counselors, department rep-

resentatives and the student council.

Presently, Shauntae Brown is president of the school's student council. At the beginning of the fall semester, she and other council members conducted a survey of what students want in their ceremony.

"Many of the students opposed the breakfast because it's so early. It's already going to be a long day," Brown said.

Several students approached Brown with suggestions after the survey had been taken.

"Someone suggested to have the breakfast without parents. Others said to have one large ceremony off campus. We investigated a lot of places (to hold a ceremony), but most were booked," Brown said. "A few have said holding the program off campus would take away the feeling of 'home.' I can understand everyone's point; however, I would just like something that can accommodate everyone comfortably."

Five months ago, Taylor and others had already begun mapping out a plan to make graduation satisfactory for all students.

"We're struggling to find an effective way. A way which is least chaotic," Taylor said. "Perhaps we will return to the idea of having a short ceremony after the big one some place on campus. It's hard to find something that everybody likes, but the two main things students want are a diploma and refreshments," Taylor said.

Before this year's School of Communications' graduation site was announced (the Church of God in Christ located on Georgia Avenue across the street from Howard University Hospital), administrators toyed with other possible sites including the Howard University Hospital cafeteria and a local high school.

The College of Arts and Sciences has the largest student population out of all of Howard's schools and colleges. Every year their graduation ceremony is held in Burr Gymnasium.

Dr. Dorothy Walker-Jones, associate dean for academic affairs, is the key coordinator for the Arts and Sciences commencement exercises. She says that their ceremonies have been commendable but not without problems.

"We've been criticized, but we try to improve every year," Walker-Jones said.

The absence of someone monitor-

ing the chair set-up while the University ceremony was taking place presented a problem. When it was time for the Arts and Sciences exercises to begin, many of the administrators did not have seats. This problem was immediately solved by assigning someone to the job.

One problem that seems to prevail in most schools is the prevention of graduates and their families from

leaving before the program has ended.

"We plan to have professors sit with or right behind students and encourage them not to leave. We will also make an announcement to parents at the beginning of the program. We will ask them to show respect to the other graduates by simply remaining seated. After all, we try to keep this very short," Walker-Jones said.

What's the perfect gift for the Howard graduate? You'd be surprised...or maybe not!

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gifts**

Add your favorite to this list and (innocently) leave The Hilltop open to this page!

Clearance of all my debts
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-Kirt Brown, Civil Engineering

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-Gerald Lopez, Mechanical Engineering

'93 Black Geo Prism
-Chevon Reese, Business Management

Some cash
-Kamal Harris, Public Relations

A vacation in Barbados
-Chanda Mapp, Theatre

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-Dana McCurry, Advertising

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-Michael Lightfoot, Psychology

A job
-Holly Fisher, History

A ferret
-Ron Sullivan, COBIS

A burgundy Civic
-Alanna Phillips, Management

After the administration in several other schools and colleges were surveyed, the following list of suggestions was compiled in hopes of improving the individual graduation ceremonies in 1993:

- Have several rehearsals including students and faculty
- Put up fliers announcing the rehearsals
- Pass out written instructions to the students so they will remember their places
- Prepare a checklist of duties for those staff members who are helping with the exercises
- Conduct constant checks of the PA system
- Count the seating arrangement and make sure that they are monitored until the ceremony begins
- Encourage students and parents to stay until the end
- Have an alternate plan in case of rain

These are only a few suggestions for a successful graduation ceremony. The more input students offer, the more likely they are to make one of life's most important days a truly pleasant one.

WEEKENDER

Weekender's Pick of the Week



Ford's Theatre's exuberant musical "Five Guys Named Moe," directed and choreographed by Charles Augins, is a joyous musical celebration of the songs of 1940's jazz great Louis Jordan.

The cast of six male singers and dancers romp through such well-known Jordan hits as "There Ain't Nobody Here But Us Chickens," "Messy Bessy," "Saturday Night Fish Fry," "Five Guys Named Moe," and many others.

Channel Four entertainment critic, Arch Campbell, gives "Five Guys Named Moe" three and a half stars, saying, "It is a wonderful, outrageous, impossible-to-resist, all-around food time. See this show!"

Ticket prices are \$25-\$32. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster or at the Ford's Theatre Box Office.

For tickets or general information, call (202) 347-4833 or (703) 573-SEAT.

New exhibit explores minkisi tradition

By Dante Ross
Hilltop Staff Writer

"Astonishment and Power: Kongo Minkisi & The Art of Renee Stout," a new exhibition which explores the "minkisi" tradition of the Kongo people of central Africa and the contemporary art of artist Renee Stout, is being featured at the Smithsonian's National Museum of African Art.

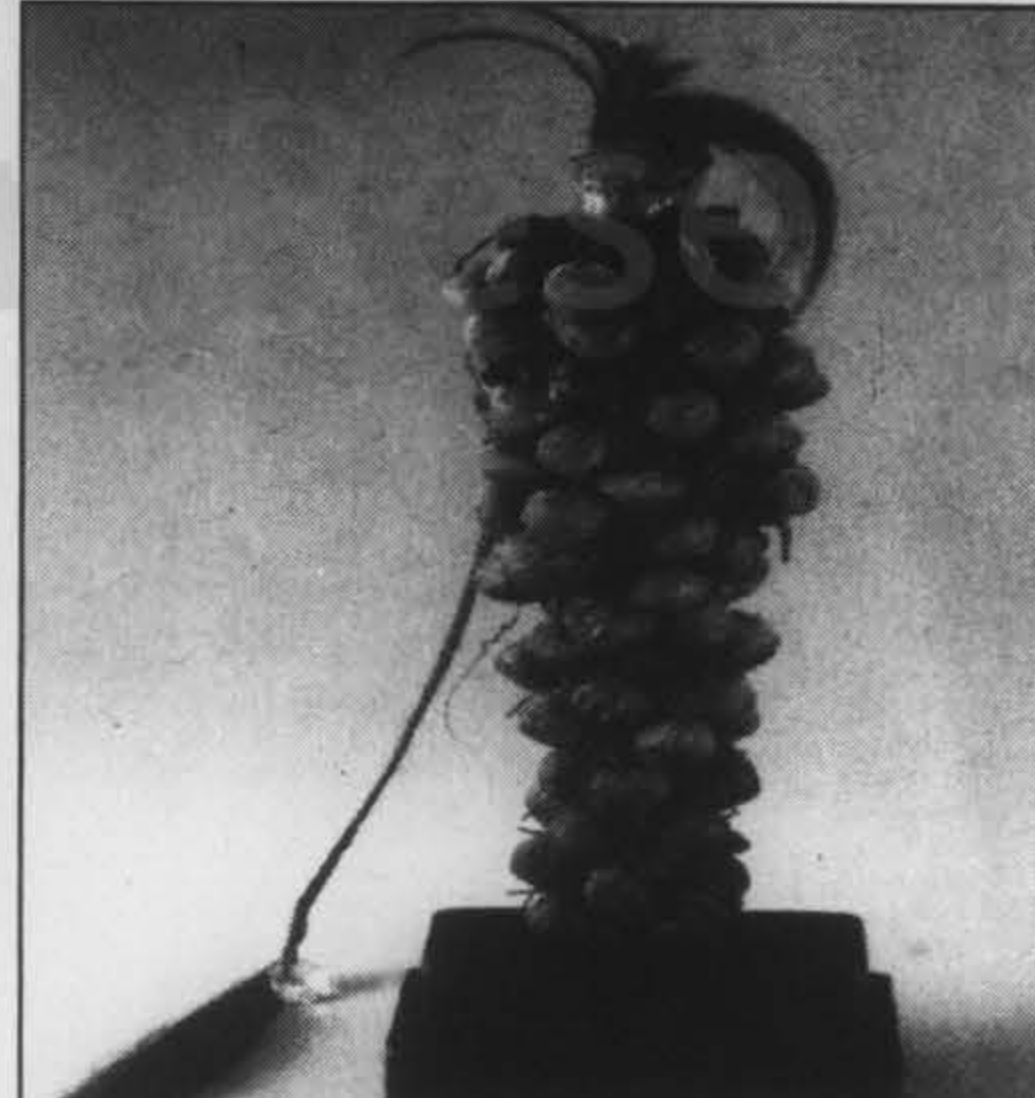
The work of Stout, which draws heavily on Kongo traditions, resonates with many of the visual ideas on minkisi. Her art captures personal histories, memories and experiences and evokes lost traditions.

The impressive figures and constructions featured in the exhibit, called "minkisi," are made from natural and man-made materials and are intended as containers for powerful medicines. Often mistakenly characterized as fetishes in the West, minkisi occupy a central place in Kongo culture and history. Minkisi were invoked to accomplish various purposes, both protective and aggressive.

To help viewers understand minkisi in Kongo thought and ritual practices, the exhibition includes quotes from commentaries written from 1912 to 1919 by young Kongo men who had intimate knowledge of their own culture and traditions associated with minkisi.

Like minkisi, Stout's work sits at a crossroads of the sacred and secular, the West and Africa, pieces of art and religious relics. Both the Kongo people and Stout demonstrate consummate skill in creating works of astonishment and power, invocation and art.

Stout was born in 1958 in Junction



Some of the pieces that will featured at the exhibit are (clockwise from top) "Face Pouch," "Fetish No. 3," and "Nkisi Nkondi Mungundu."

City, Kansas. At the age of one, her family moved to Pittsburgh where she studied art at Carnegie-Mellon University.

In 1984, she participated in the Afro-

American Master Artists in Residency at Northeastern University. She has resided and worked in Washington, D.C. since 1985.

Stout's interest in African art began in Pittsburgh when, at the age of 10, she saw an "nkisi nkondi" figure from Kongo on exhibition in the Carnegie Museum. After her move to D.C., she became increasingly interested in both African art and her own history. Her work moved beyond painting to three-dimensional constructions.

She continues to work in this manner, simultaneously exploring African visual art, African-American cultural traditions of healing and conjuring and her own family heritage.

Stout's work has been exhibited in many group exhibitions including "Black Art - Ancestral Legacy: The African Impulse in African-American Art," a traveling exhibition organized by the Dallas Museum of Art, and "Gathered Visions: Selected Works by African-American Women Artists" at the Smithsonian's Anacostia Museum.

She has also been featured in solo exhibitions at B.R. Kornblatt Gallery and Mount Vernon College Chapel Gallery in D.C. and the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts. Stout's work is also in public and private collections.

A 160-page catalog, "Astonishment and Power," accompanies the exhibit. It contains essays by the guest curators, Professor Wyatt MacGaffey of Haverford College and Michael Harris, an assistant professor at Morehouse College.

The National Museum of African Art is located at 950 Independence Avenue, S.W. The Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. For more information on "Astonishment and Power" or any other exhibit that is featured at the museum, call (202) 357-2700.

Local sights provide inexpensive, interesting weekend activities

By Boudain Green
Hilltop Staff Writer

Well, it's over.

No more midterms, no more finals and no more homework. You've finally graduated and your parents and loved ones will be here to celebrate this joyous occasion with you. But after all of the pomp and circumstance, how will you keep them entertained.

Luckily, Howard University is located in our nation's capitol so there's plenty to do. The District of Columbia is a city overflowing with possibilities; a city of International flavor with good old American hospitality. The museums are among the most respected in the world and the monuments are powerful memorials to the human spirit.

The following guide will be useful in quest for some of the finer points of this great city.

The Smithsonian Museums

The Smithsonian is a complex of 13 local museums, offering 137 million objects and specimens of broad appeal. The museums are open daily and admission is free.

Anacostia Museum - 1901 Fort Place, SE. Black history and art.

National Museum of American History - 14th and Constitution Ave, NW. Historical memorabilia such as Edison's first light bulb, Bell's telephones, and exhibits on the U.S. Constitution.

National Museum of American Art - Eighth and G Sts., NW. More than 34,000 artworks including paintings, sculpture, folk art, photos, prints and drawings.

National Museum of Natural History - Constitution Ave. at 10th St., NW. Highlights include

genuine Egyptian mummies and skeletons of dinosaurs, the Hope Diamond, a special geological section, and a fossil hall.

City Sights

The district is home to many of our country's most historically significant attractions.

Georgetown

Wisconsin Ave. and M St., NW. This historic neighborhood, located about one mile northwest of the White House, is known for its specialty shops, fine restaurants and nightclubs.

Union Station

50 Massachusetts Ave., NE. One of Washington's most splendid old buildings, this turn-of-the-century landmark has recently undergone extensive renovation, and houses 64 retail shops, a cinema complex and restaurants.

The National Aquarium

Dept. of Commerce Bldg., 14th St. and Constitution Ave., NW.

Seventy tanks house more than 1,200 specimens of marine life from all over the world. A "Touch Tank" houses hermit crabs, horseshoe crabs and sea urchins.

Monuments

The following monuments and memorials honor those who have affected the course of U.S. history.

The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW. Tours are offered Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon.

The Washington Monument

15th and 17th Sts. and Constitution Ave., NW. The tallest masonry structure in the United States. Elevator rides are available every five minutes. Open daily.

Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Constitution Gardens, west end of the Mall. A long, low wall of Black Indian granite, the memorial was dedicated in 1982 to those who died in the Vietnam War and to those who remain missing. More than 58,000 names are listed.

Lincoln Memorial

West End of the Mall at 23rd St., NW. The memorial, patterned after a Greek temple, houses a breathtaking statue of our 16th president. Inscribed in the walls surrounding Lincoln is his famous Gettysburg Address.

United States Capitol

Capitol Hill, First St., between Constitution and Independent Aves., NE. Passes obtained at the office of your representative or senator across the street, will admit you to the gallery of the House or Senate. Continuous tours of the buildings are conducted daily, 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.; the building is open until 4:30 p.m.

Hip-Hop Hooray!



Maurice Malone Designs links cultural expression with artistic creativity for a Hip-Hop Fashion and Music Showcase Saturday, May 8, 1993 from 8 p.m. until 2 a.m. at the Oni Shoreham Hotel.

The charity function will feature styles by several internationally known fashion designers including co-sponsors Cross Colours, Karl Kani, and Tribe Vibe.

Attendants will witness these and other fore-runners of the hip-hop fashion movement combining their creativity with the lyrical skills of Boss, One Step Beyond and the Hip-Hop Arts Movement.

Part of the proceeds from this event will be donated to the LaTanya Buck Rights of Passage Program, a non-profit organization dedicated to improving self-esteem and increasing the survival skills of former youth offenders.

The event honors the graduating classes of Howard and the University of the District of Columbia.

For further information and tickets, contact Talib Karim at (202) 265-8637.

Restaurant Guide

Cafe Milano, Georgetown, 3251 Prospect St., NW; (202) 333-6183. Northern Italian and regional specialties from all over Italy.

The Gangplank, Waterfront, 600 Water St., NW; (202) 554-5000. A lively marina restaurant, which has lovely views of the surrounding boats and harbor activity. Fresh seafood and beef are their trademark.

Prime Rib, Downtown, 2020 K St., NW; (202) 872-9559. An established favorite among D.C. power brokers, serving prime aged beef, live Maine lobster, and extra thick veal, pork, and lamb chops. Coat and Tie requested. Free valet parking.

Georgia Cafe, Howard Inn-Lobby Level, 2225 Georgia Avenue, NW; (202) 265-2376. Fine Southern cuisine served with a touch of down-home warmth and cool, soothing jazz. Known for their delicious pound cake and other tempting baked goods.

Julio's, Adams Morgan, 1604 U St., NW; (202) 483-8500. Julio's brings back the \$9.95 All-You-Can-Eat Sunday Brunch. Serving a selection of Belgian waffles, Omelettes made to order, rich desserts, and much more. Voted "Best Bruch in D.C." last two years. Brunch hours are 10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

Kendajah, 5828 Georgia Avenue, NW; (202) 291-7541. Specializing in the finest of West African foods and Afro-American dishes. Mother's Day Buffet from 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

El Caminante Restaurant, Dupont Circle, 2002 P St., NW; (202) 331-8963. Come and enjoy outstanding Spanish and Mexican cuisine in a cozy atmosphere. Featuring sauteed shrimp, roasted chicken, fajitas, and much more.

La Brasserie, Capitol Hill, 239 Massachusetts Avenue, NE; (202) 546-9154. Fine French cuisine in a warm and intimate town house atmosphere. Professional, yet friendly service.

Lauriol Plaza, Dupont Circle, 1801 18th St., NW; (202) 387-0035. One of Washington's favorite restaurants for the past 10 years. Offering grilled fajitas, salmon, swordfish, paella, duck with olive, and much more.

BOOKS

Political literature expresses need for change

Authors Carmichael and Hamilton present radical framework and ideology for solving the racial ills of America's people

By Bryan Jay Parker
Hilltop Staff Writer

"This book presents a political framework and ideology which represents the last reasonable opportunity for this society to work out its racial problems short of prolonged destructive guerilla warfare."

This statement, which appears on the book's jacket, reiterates the theme constant throughout this powerful work: change. It expresses change in mind and in conduct. Concisely presented, the authors' thesis is that in America, the "haves" have exploited the "have nots," mainly blacks by whites. If the black people in the United States are ever going to have full equality and social justice, they will first have to get an equal amount of political and economic power: Black Power to fight White Power.

Carmichael and Hamilton argue that a revolutionary approach is necessary. Until blacks improve their own power base, they can never truly improve their status. Once they have this independent power, they can gain decision-making authority and become able to work with white organizations on an equal basis. Obviously, the white community is not going to let this happen. Therefore, Carmichael believes it is useless to try to reform from within. He says, "the whites will stop killing blacks and kidding blacks when the blacks make it no longer worthwhile for them to do so."

Furthermore, Carmichael, for-

mer chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, and Hamilton, his co-author and chairman of the Department of Political Science

smothered the fire out of many chapters. Specifically, on violence, Carmichael is content with the difference between the new militants and the older

tutions, which admittedly have all too often used black leaders and confused or estranged them from their followers. However, he is too broad about the institutions he would like. While he opposes coalitions with white groups and argues for an independent Negro political movement, one has to pose the question, "How successful can it be without a specific plan?"

As for the ghetto, Carmichael only presents a quick overview. He mentions strikes, unions of Negroes and control of the schools. He does not mention where blacks are supposed to reside. Considering the movement of many jobs to major cities, people should be reasonable and expect blacks to move

where opportunities and jobs can be found. Next, even though black parents should have more control over black schools, children should not be deprived of brighter horizons. There is some risk that black militants are playing the game of white reactionaries—segregation and Jim Crowism through separatism. In addition, Carmichael and Hamilton use many quotations from historians, sociologists and political scientists, the authors are bad historians. "Look at history," they say, but some quota-

\$2,940 million in Foreign Aid in the fiscal year of 1966-67.

Overall, the authors create a "historical conspiracy." They infer that because slaveholders, for 300 years, "deliberately exploited the Negro and kept him in servitude," every non-Negro throughout the modern world has that same objective. Those missionaries in Africa came for goods, not for our good. Another fallacy is when the author states that the middle class in the United States forms the backbone of institutional racism in this country. Later on in the book, we find that the middle class supplies help to Negroes as lawyers and as unpaid, intelligent advisors.

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at Roosevelt University in Chicago, "tell it like it is." They do not try to pacify whites. The authors' analysis of Negro history in the United States leads them to deduce that individual and institutional racism still suppresses Blacks who must rely on their own protection first without considering any coalition with whites. With a few examples of the effectiveness of Black Power as well as some suggested courses of action, Carmichael and Hamilton urge self-pride and political and economic unity as the method for securing civil rights.

Unfortunately, many parts of the book, including some descriptive chapters about Tuskegee and Lowndes County in Alabama, appear to have been written by Hamilton with additional input from Ivanhoe Donaldson, who may have

black leaders on the issue of self-defense. He is for separatism in ghettos only if blacks are willing to learn to run their own affairs and unite their power. He is against blacks using the existing political insti-

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D.C. JUMP Program Recruits Howard University Students

The Junior Urban Mentor Program seeks to help inner-city elementary students in math and reading

By Larry McCoy
Hilltop Staff Writer

The Junior Urban Mentor Program (JUMP) is recruiting Howard University students to help inner-city elementary students improve their math, English, and logical reasoning skills. College students from Howard and other local universities will supervise an afterschool program for third and fourth graders within DC. Each supervisor will manage a group of high school mentors who tutor the elementary students. After a selection process, JUMP coordinators will train the college students and provide staff support throughout the internship.

"JUMP is a great opportunity for college students to earn academic credits while serving their community," says Rod Gee, a JUMP coordinator. Students will also learn about the Washington community and current issues in education and child development.

In tutoring third and fourth graders, the program uses themes to demonstrate the interconnectedness between math, English, and thinking skills. Utilizing the rich academic resources in the Washington, DC area, JUMP plans to tailor its cur-

riculum around museums, parks, and other attractions to stimulate children's interest in academics. For example, JUMP plans have a three-week theme centered around visits to the zoo. The students will plan the cost of the trip, construct an itinerary and map, and research the animals they will visit. The next session after the visit the students will design a mural and write creative essays on subjects related to the zoo, such as the animals, their habitats, and the cultures of people in their indigenous environments.

In addition to the theme-based curriculum, JUMP allots time for mentees to do logic-building games and activities such as mastermind, pick-up sticks, connect four, eggs drop, and attribute blocks. This curriculum approach attempts to reinforce what the students learn in school, apply their knowledge to different settings, and focus on the "fun" aspects of learning.

JUMP coordinators encourage supervisors and mentors to develop a coach/player relationship with the children. Students participate in activities and the mentors demonstrate, advise, and explain to students how to improve their performance.

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PEOPLE

Students strive to take magazine market by storm

En La Noire, a new student publication, plans to enter the magazine this year market with creativity, elegance, style and flair

By Natonla Johnson
Hilltop Staff Writer

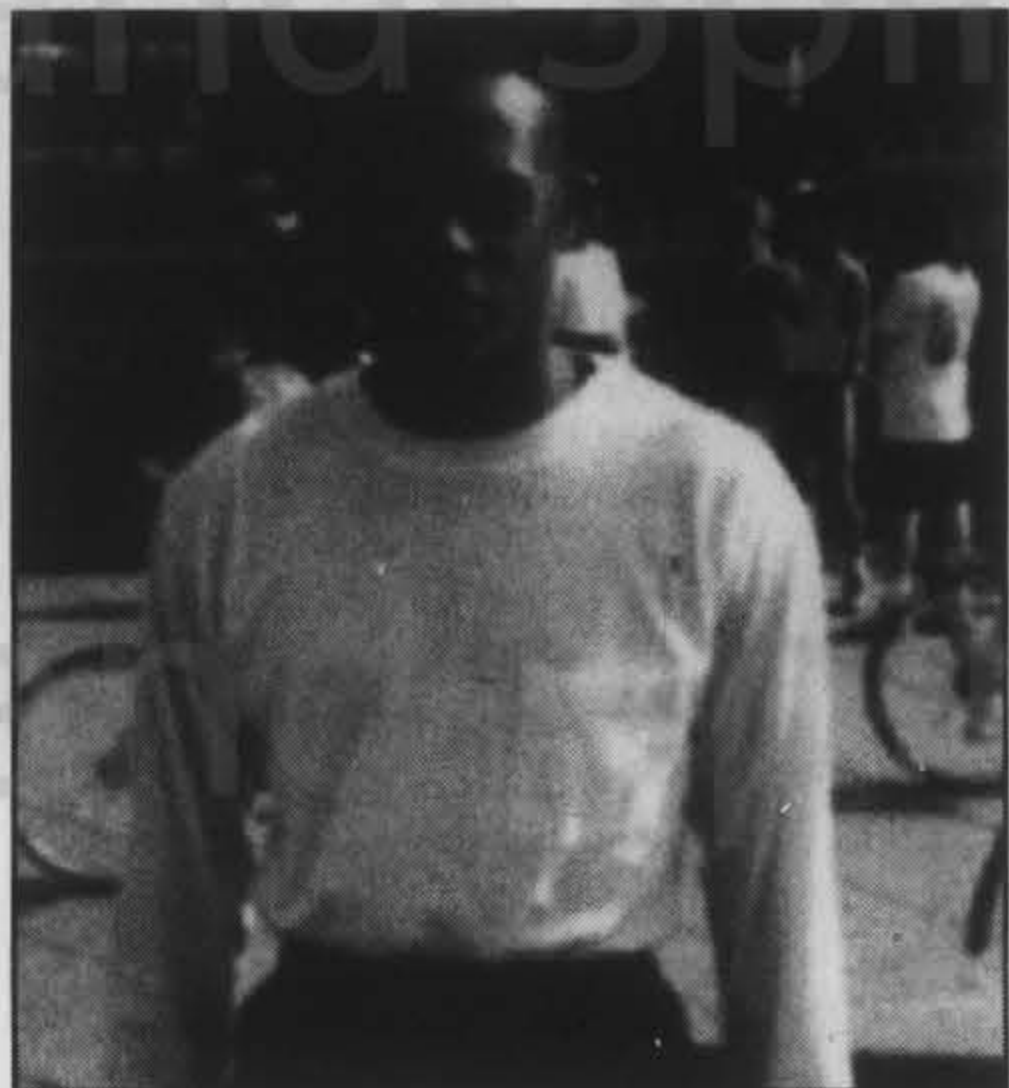
There is a new magazine in the make that is about to enter the competitive, high fashion and entertainment market this May. It is called "En La Noire." A french expression for "in the black." This 11x17 glossy magazine will be a breath of fresh air for all those interested in the latest about new artists, musicians and fashion.

"En La Noire" has the style, flair and trendiness of "Vogue" and the creativity, elegance and class of "Essence." Beside the fact that all the pictures look artsy enough to cut out and frame, there is a key ingredient to this colorful, upbeat magazine: the concept of multiculturalism. Yes, multiculturalism.

The developer and publisher of "En La Noire" is 20-year-old Doranna Tindle. Tindle, a sophomore English major in the College of Arts and Sciences, said her magazine goes beyond black and white.

"We wanted to do something different that reflected African culture with an international flavor. Multiculturalism is not about color but more about lifestyle. I believe there is a new wave of thinking. Young people don't have their minds closed to things," Tindle said.

Searching for the models, artists and musicians who reflect all ethnic cultures



Pictured above is 22 year-old Kevin Wilkins, En La Noire's Alternative Lifestyle Editor.

is no easy task. Helping with this process is 22-year-old Kevin Wilkins. Wilkins, a junior, majoring in graphic design and advertisement in the College of Fine Arts, is the editor for "En La Noire's" Alternative Lifestyle page. His job is to highlight the new invigorating talent.

"I look for artists, musicians and models who are new to the scene, or who already have been out on the scene. There are so many talented people out there who are not getting the recognition that they deserve," Wilkins said.

Premiering in the magazine's first issue will be a four page photo lay-out on R&B artist Nona Gaye, a profile on Tisha Campbell, an interview with Karyn Parsons and a profile on rap

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artist Heavy D. A host of other celebrities and new talent will also be featured in the May issue.

Tindle has taken on the added task of directing the style team, which is responsible for the fashion shots of all the celebrity artists. She also selects the clothing, and works with her make-up artist in choosing the appropriate colors to complement the overall theme that Tindle is trying to achieve.

"Most of our shooting is done in New York or Los Angeles. It's hard organizing the staff, make-up artists and photographers. It's a task getting all these people together and taking them on assignments," Tindle said.

Unlike most people who happen to be in the right place at the right time, Tindle's success was a progression that

went from the inception of the promo-package to international distribution.

Her friend and now her public relations liaison, 21-year-old Gilda Squire, a George Mason University student, sent out, via fax machine, the promo-packages to various public relations representatives. In minutes, Squire received responses from various representatives who liked the package.

Because of Squire's ingenuity, "En La Noire" will be distributed throughout the U.S. and will also be distributed internationally, including Canada, London and Paris. This mass distribution allows the magazine to compete against "Vogue," "Essence," "The Source," "Vibe" and many more.

"What we need now are advertisers. Because this is brand new (the magazine) we haven't had the chance to get an ad consultant. Once it's published, hopefully the advertisers will become

interested."

According to Squire, "En La Noire" combines the fascinating industries of fashion and entertainment. "It is not a black magazine; it is a people magazine from an ethnic point of view. If one has ever wanted to experience the beauty of ethnicity, the intrigue of culture, "En La Noire" offers that and more."

Tindle said the financial support she receives from her parents made it possible to publish the magazine this May. "It cost \$1,500 for fashion shots and it cost anywhere between \$10,000 to \$15,000 a month to have the magazine printed."

Now, Tindle hopes her magazine will be able to endure the test of time.

"I have a level head about it. Everybody is far more excited than I am. I'm just waiting to see what the sales are like. Not that I'm concerned about the money; I'm more concerned about the magazine surviving the competitive market," Tindle said.

"It's nice to have a wonderful first issue, but talk to me a year from now when we have 12 issues. This is a lot of work, people who want to do the same should be ready and willing to work very, very, hard," she said.

"En La Noire" will be

available during the second week of May at all major newsstands.

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Students successfully pull off Spring Fashion Show

Coordinators Annabelle Davis and Khrys Kelly attempt to bring splashes of color and style to this year's UGSA fashion extravaganza

By Dara Jackson
Hilltop Staff Writer

Small and fair, Annabelle Davis does not immediately command authority. Her appearance makes people think she might be used to being stepped on a little or even ignored. Then she opens her mouth. And it is not the pitch or level of her voice, it is her command of words and the slight Jamaican lilt that reflects her authoritative nature.

"There's no need to comment," Davis yells at the group of models gathered in what has been used as the stage area in the School of Architecture auditorium. "Ya'll just need to chill, really."

Rehearsal seemingly is not going well on this night. Models are talking amongst themselves between scenes. Those not taking cigarette breaks are scattered about the auditorium complaining about hunger or the lateness of the hour or how they have gone over this one scene countless times.

On this particular night, Davis' partner, friend and co-coordinator, Khrys Kelly, is not at rehearsal. Kelly, a 20-year-old

fashion major has to work.

Two weeks later the fashion show finally has a name: Symbiosis. Kelly, also fair but much taller, explains it as the connection of peoples throughout the world: If I have food, you shouldn't be hungry. A title different from previous fashion shows, Symbiosis literally means "the mutual gain or benefit of all."

By tonight they have been at it for nearly two months. Rehearsal has moved from building to building where the group keeps being kicked out until they finally settle on the area in front of the Fine Arts building.

It's about 9:45 p.m. and people are ready to break out. The warmth of the day is easing into a very cool night. Several models and dancers have already given up. But something about the excitement of the show being a week away and a full moon force folks to hang in there until 10:00 p.m.

"I guess we're perfectionists and we always see room for improvement," said Davis, 21, a fourth-year Architecture major. "We're happy with the progress—a lot of the models

were coming from no experience," she added.

Kelly and Davis' initial plan was to organize the tasks based on each's experience. Instead,

Both Kelly and Davis agree that in their selection of models they were looking for new faces, people who represented the range of black aestheticism, and who had not been in shows before.

And although the people they chose did not fit into a cookie cutter mold of beauty, there was some common thread.

each one took the initiative to finish what needed to be done.

"We're friends and she's (gesturing towards Khrys) a fashion major and I've coordinated and participated in shows so we decided to do it," Davis

said.

"We were having a conversation about past fashion shows and realized we had a lot of the same ideas and were like 'Why

their hair naturally and keep it cut short. On this particular night, Davis has hers covered with a modern take on the traditional African head wrap. One or two models also have their heads wrapped.

"We heard a lot of people were upset that we got the fashion show (meaning that UGSA accepted their proposal)," said Davis. She also said that those people tried to prevent them from pulling it off, which is one of the reasons that selecting the models was such a long task.

Some 10 proposals were submitted to UGSA for the right to organize the Spring Black Arts Festival Fashion Show. At Howard University, fashion and partying sort of go hand in hand. Both are big business and a big deal at a school known for its active social climate. This show is second only to the Homecoming Fashion Show.

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In an effort to make the fashion show more than a superficial experience the coordinators deliberately chose African-American designers with the exception of one, who is Chilean. Fashions will run the gamut from Everett Hall to Tribe Vibe to Damali. They have also chosen two student designers and at least one fairly new designer.

"Basically, the show will take you on a ride," said Kelly, whose voice does not automatically give her away as being from New York City. "The music will take you from a futuristic feel to present day Hip Hop and Rockers to back in the Isley Brothers day."

Of the many new things they are doing, one is to introduce the designers with their clothes, said Kelly.

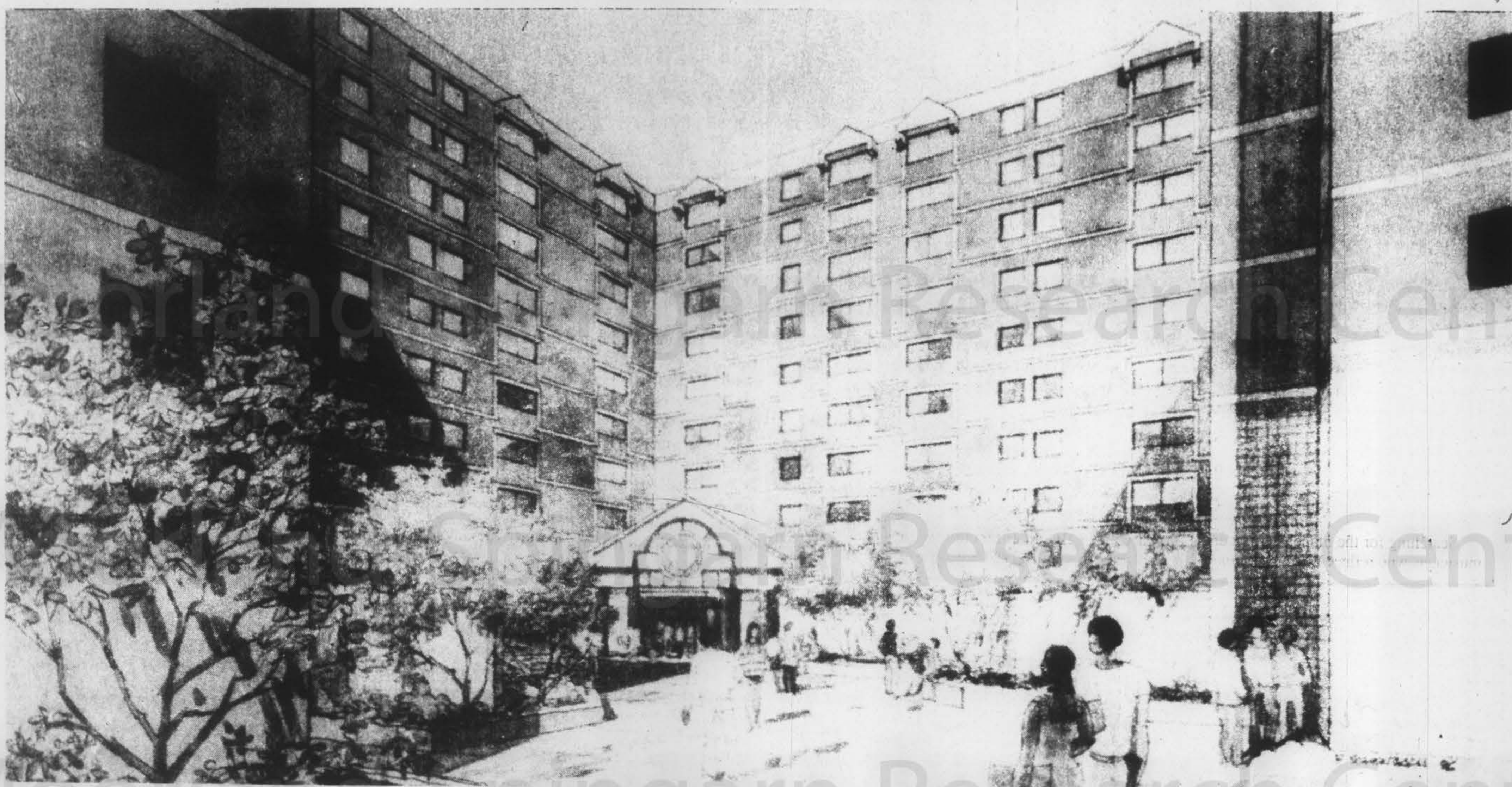
"It's more than a fashion show," said Kelly, with her hands tucked into the bottom of her jacket for warmth.

"It's a cultural experience," said Davis. "It's a celebration of our rich and diverse culture," she added.

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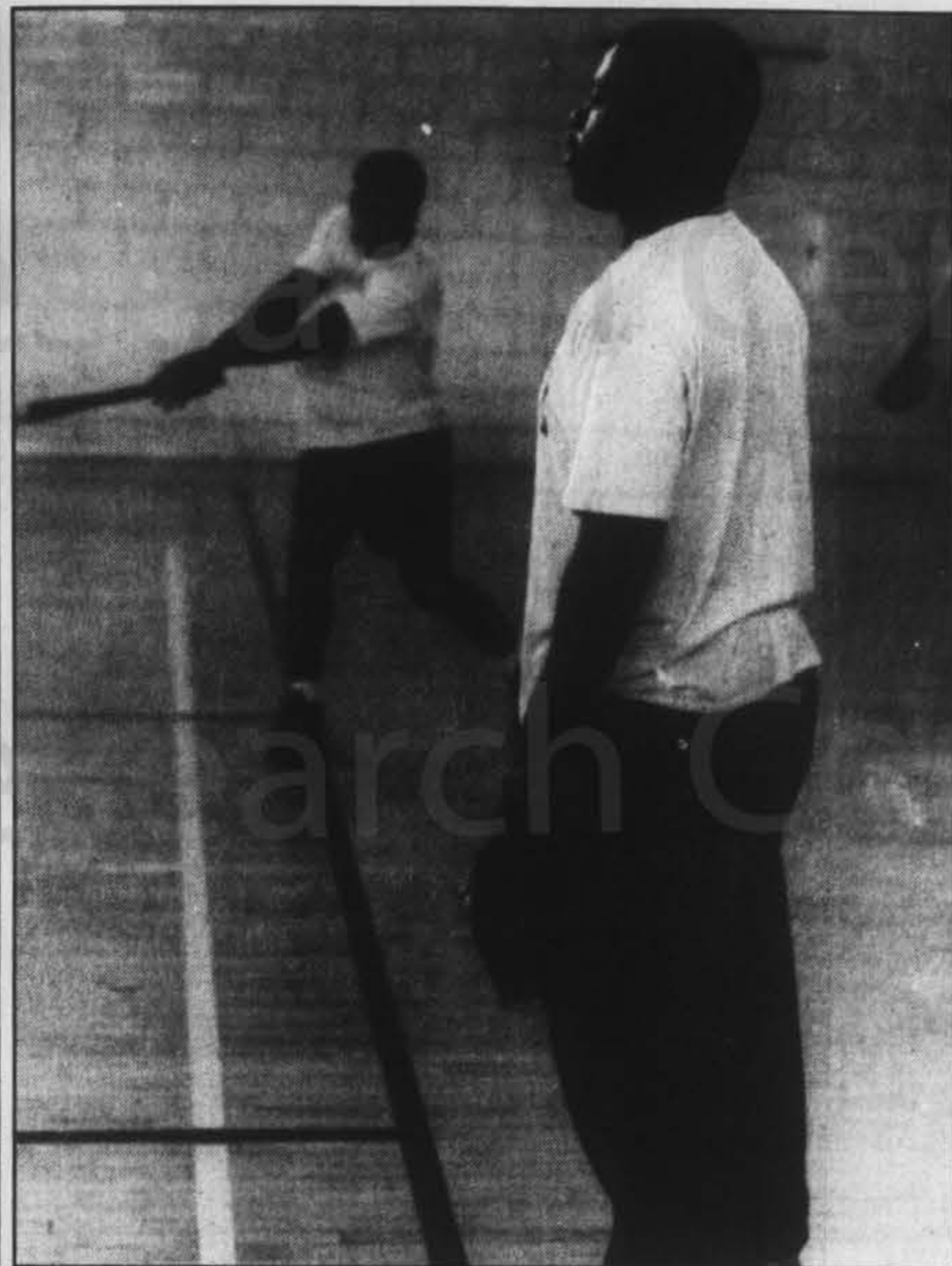
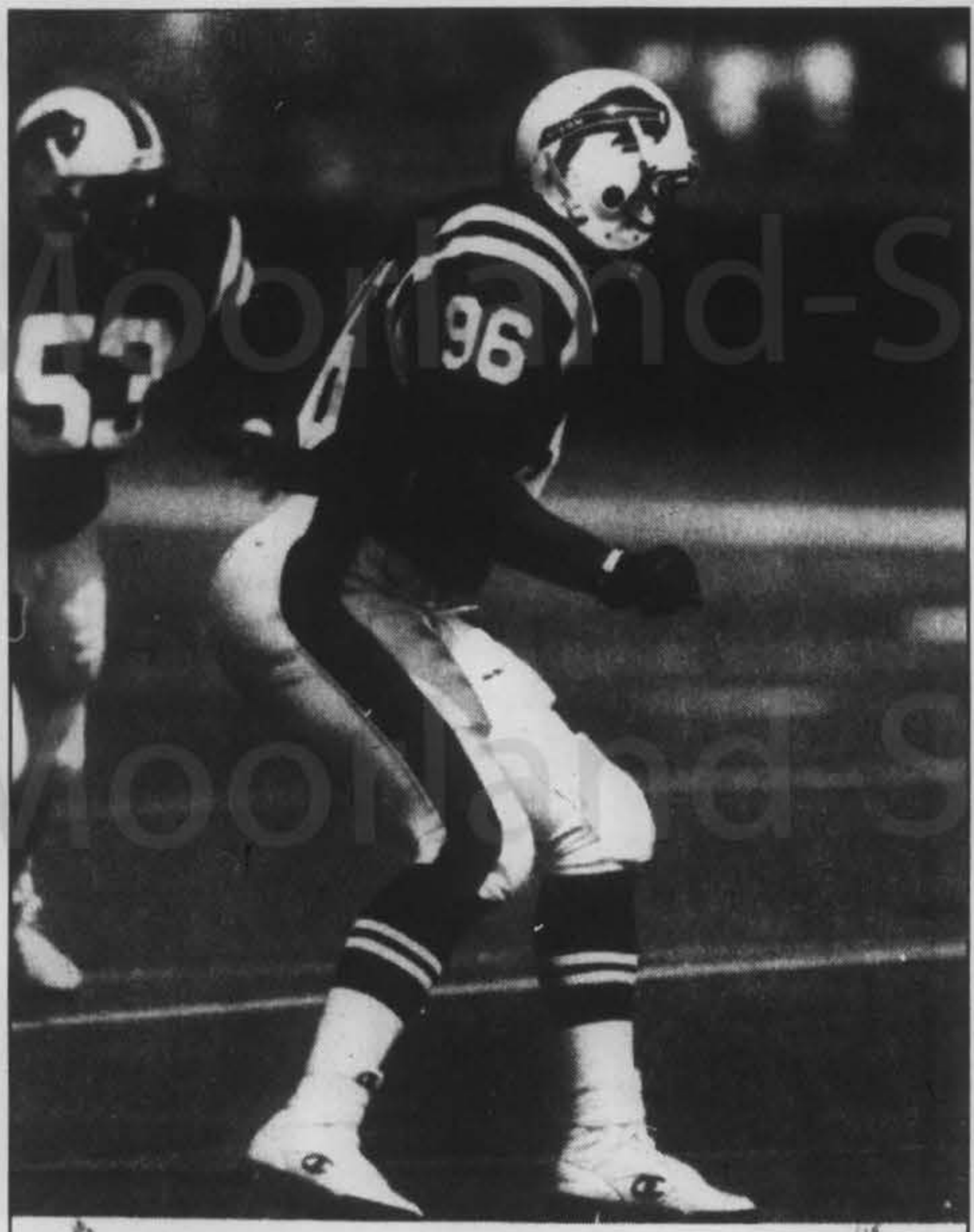
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SPORTS

Senior athletes pursue careers, dreams



Seniors like Elton Parish, Stephanie Johnson and Keith Hammond, pictured above, will be graduating in today's ceremony. Others discuss their plans for after graduation.

By Candida Johnson
Hilltop Staff Writer

Year after year, around graduation time, students often ponder, "What will I do with my life after graduation?" Senior athletes, like many of their fellow peers, are preparing for life after the tears and the champagne have stopped flowing on "the Yard." And like their fellow peers, senior athletes have a diverse array of plans they will pursue after graduation.

Twenty-three-year-old Jerry Heckler, who is a member of the track team, will begin a career as an accountant with Deloitte & Touche upon his departure from the University.

Heckler, who is a native of Kingston, Jamaica, said that he definitely made the right choice in coming to the University for academics and track. "Personally, I think [the track team] is one of the best in the country, if not the world," he said. Heckler runs the 200-meter, 400-meter and all sprint relays, which include the 4x100, 4x200, sprint medley and the mile relay.

Besides thinking highly of the track team, Heckler added that William P. Moultrie, his track coach, has been instrumental in his success as an athlete.

Getting picked to represent the University at an

accounting student seminar, being inducted into the Golden Key Honor Society, getting a 4.0 for the first time, representing the University at a track invitational in Martinique, West Indies and running in this year's Penn Relays are among Heckler's most memorable moments.

In order to be an outstanding athlete, Heckler said that students must not "lose sight of what [they] came to Howard to do, which is to get an education."

Wray Brown, who has been playing soccer for 14 years, is a member of the soccer team. Twenty-two-year-old Brown, a native of Willingboro, N.J., will be graduating with a degree in television production. In hopes of one day owning the business, Brown will work at his father's screen printing company after graduation.

Brown, who wanted to attend a black college, said "one of the reasons [he] came to Howard was for the soccer program."

Brown's memorable moments include homecoming and the competition against Radford. Brown added that there is "no other place like" the University and that students should "take advantage of what is here."

After receiving his marketing degree, Mark Askew, who is a member of the swim team, will attend law school and enroll in a JD/MBA

program. Twenty-two-year-old Askew, who is from Kingston, N.C., swims the breast stroke. Askew said that his most memorable times on the swim team took place at Perdue University and in Indianapolis, Ind., after the Olympic swimming trials.

In addition to his swimming meet highlights, Askew said that (the coach's) Jason Sanford's implementation of all season training for University swimmers was a momentous event because it was a first for the team. However, Askew said that the team doesn't get much support and publicity from the University.

Ransom Miller, one of members of the Bison's "Buffalo Soldier" defense, said that his most memorable moment was a game played against the Grambling Tigers in the Meadowlands of New Jersey. In that game, Miller was voted defensive MVP; he was a sophomore when he received the award.

Another game that was unforgettable in Miller's football career at the University was against Alcorn State University. Though Alcorn was tough competition, the Bison managed to win 48-42. Miller did his first year with the Bison under, then, rookie head coach Steve Wilson who Miller said "has grown a lot."

Miller, who graduated in 1992, but had

one more year of eligibility, has been shopping his acquired degree in broadcast management around and has several job offers.

Twenty-one year-old Keith Hammond, the captain of the baseball team, will be getting a degree in management. Hammond is from Havre de Grace, "the baseball capital" of Maryland. Yet to land a job, Hammond intends to continue playing baseball in hopes of joining a professional team.

Hammond, who plays left field and third base, said that the University does not get the funding that other Division I schools get. "[It's] very hard to play when you don't have a field," he said. However, he added that he made the right choice in coming to the University for academics.

Last, but certainly not least, Elton Parish is one of the seniors on the football team. Parish is from Miami, Fla., and is 21-years-old. Playing with South Carolina State University his sophomore year and scoring a touchdown is among Parish's most memorable moments.

After graduating with a degree in history, he plans to go to graduate school and then become a high school history teacher. Parish plans to continue playing football and is currently training to go pro. To the University's future graduates, Parish advised them to "hang in there...it's all worth it."

Watson, Greene are NFL bound



Tim Watson left, has been drafted by the Packers; while Nigel Greene joined the Bengals through Free Agency

By Andrea Williams
Hilltop Staff Writer

It is the ultimate of all dreams. It is a game in which little boys across the land begin their careers in the pee-wee league. Or perhaps it begins with a father and son tossing around that famed pigskin in the backyard. Football. It is a game that knows no color, transcends from communities in the inner cities to the mass country lands. Small tikes with their eyes wide, minds focused and hearts pitter-pattering, suit up with hopes of one day fulfilling that dream. Their ultimate dream, the pinnacle, the big leagues—The NFL.

To achieve the dream of playing on the same fields once ventured by such pro legends as "Broadway" Joe, O.J. Simpson and Lynn Swann, not to mention some of today's stars, is a great feat. However, to make it to this "field of dreams" as a product of a Division I-AA program, it is one of great triumph.

With the 156th pick in the 1993

NFL draft, the Green Bay Packers gave Howard Safety Tim Watson that chance to beat the odds and achieve pro status. Watson, a 6-2, 220 pound native of Fort Valley, Ga. led the Bison in tackles this season with 107, while ranking in the top five among Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) tacklers. Watson appeared to be quite confident about being picked up by a pro team. In an interview prior to the draft Watson said, "I feel that I am definitely one of the top two or three safeties in the country."

It would appear that Watson's performance this season has also awed some of his coaches. "Tim's performed well this season, he made a lot of big plays, he hustled, hit and did everything he needed to do to prepare himself," Coach Rubin Carter, the Bison's defensive coordinator, said.

Although many people, like Watson, are drafted there are other avenues to travel to make it to the professional level. One other road often traveled is free agency. It is also the road that connected Bison line-

man Nigel Greene with the Cincinnati Bengals. Greene, a 6-6 305 pound offensive tackle, recently signed a 2-year deal with the Bengals and will join the team in minicamp as soon as he "throws up his hat" after today's graduation ceremonies.

Greene, another Georgia native, has been playing ball since his sophomore year of high school. He is regarded as one of the top offensive linemen at the Division I-AA level.

Greene, who grew up following the Falcons, the Cowboys and the Steelers, is quite grateful for the chance he has been given. "I feel blessed," he said.

Both Watson and Greene were on the roster for the All-American Classic, a game that featured Division I-AA against I-A teams. Scouts from all 28 NFL teams were in attendance. Watson and Greene, who both attended small high schools as well, are huge examples that affirm the old adage, "If you are a great athlete, they will find you."

Athlete Profile

By Frederick Oyugi
Hilltop Staff Writer

August 18-22 at Madison Square Garden in New York City, the World Taekwondo Federation (W.T.F.) Championships will be staged. It is a championship in which the Howard University community will be represented by one of its own, Patrice A. Remarck.

Remarck, a native of the Ivory Coast (West Africa) and a student at the "Mecca" currently majoring in physics, will be competing and vying for the title of gold medalist in the welterweight division.

At the tender age of fifteen, Remarck had firmly established himself as one of the preeminent taekwondo practitioners in the world, known and widely respected in Africa, the Caribbean, Europe, South America and the United States. Remarck's latest international achievement was his victory as a gold medalist at the World Military Games two years ago in Seoul, Korea. Additionally, Remarck was selected to compete in the 1992 Olympic Games, but was unable to attend at the last minute due to a problem with paper work.

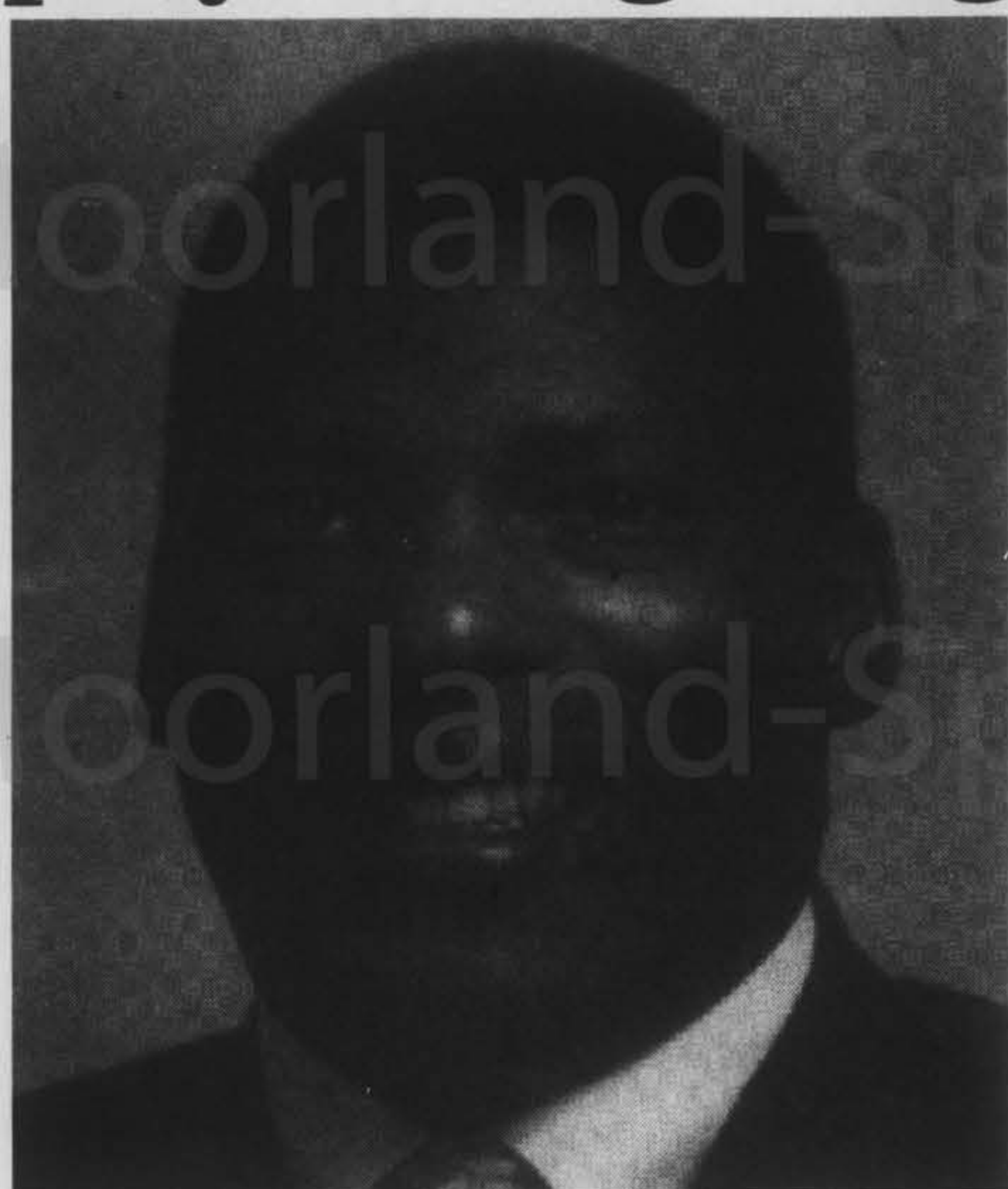
The University's Taekwondo Club under the leadership of Dr. Dong Ja Yang, a physical education professor and also a former president of the Pan American Taekwondo Union, is proud to have an individual of Remarck's stature representing the club and the "Mecca."



Patrice Remarck

SPORTS II

Football team's solid performance attributed to players 'fighting spirit': Coach Wilson speaks



Bison Head Coach Steve Wilson

By Bashan Prewitt
Hilltop Staff Writer

The Howard University football team completed its 1992-93 season with a 7-4 record just one year after the demise of a disappointing 2-9 season.

"We felt like we had some good talent last year. Unfortunately, an awful lot of our talent had to play, and we didn't get the type of execution expected from our starters," said Head Coach Steve Wilson. "This year we got better execution. We did not make all the plays that we needed to, but we were competitive every game. We had a chance to win every game that we were in (this season), and we think next year it will get better."

Wilson knew that going into the 1992 season that his team was talented. In spite of losing seven of eight starting defensive linemen, the "Buffalo Soldier" defense still managed to keep its high national ranking. Wilson improvised using young players, freshmen and sophomores, who hadn't played that filled the positions of the injured players.

"...A lot of untested people played. Now that those people have played, hopefully James Spears and Cornelius Anthony made

a successful comeback from injuries. Robert Winters who started at linebacker for us was lost for the season," Wilson said.

With seniors leaving this season, Wilson will have his work cut out replacing them. "Real good players are hard to replace and lesser players are easy to replace. It just so happens we had some pretty good players, so we're going to have our hands full trying to replace them," he said.

What impressed Wilson most about his team was their fighting spirit. Through the adversity of losing their starting defensive linemen, depending on young players to take over and losing big games that would have given them the opportunity to become MEAC Champions, the team still won games.

Wilson looked at this season in contrast to last season as a big improvement. He stated that the season was bitter-sweet. "We had a rough start," he said. "We didn't play well down at Morehouse. We thought we should've won that game." The Bison lost that Morehouse opener 7-0 amidst terrible field and weather conditions.

The Bison went on the road and defeated Alabama A&M and came back home to crush Cheyney 75-6 and escape SWAC

powerhouse Alcorn State 48-42. "We had a lot of injuries so a lot of our young people came in and played. We've been in a position to win every game, but we haven't," Wilson said. "And for a young football team that's all you can ask. The same kids who couldn't make plays last year made a whole lot more."

Come fall, the football team will be off probation giving them the opportunity to participate in post-season play if they are MEAC champions.

"I don't think anybody in this organization thought about probation," Wilson said. "It'll be good to be off of the restrictions as far as the playoffs, but we'll approach it the same way. Last season, we wanted to go out and try to win the conference championship, but we came up short. We're going to give it a go at this year."

With the school season coming to a close and spring practice behind, Wilson stated that he will be focusing upon the upcoming season.

"We're going to continue to try working on getting some big play performers," Wilson said. "You always have to work on the size of the offensive line and always want to work on the team's speed."

The Booters season: A player's perspective

By Candida Johnson
Hilltop Staff Writer



Booster Forward Kona Hislop

Although the season was not what it was pegged out to be, the Booters are looking forward to what the upcoming season has in store. Two major changes include the fact that the Booters will have to deal with the end of the Hislop era. The Booters Kona Hislop will be graduating tomorrow. Hislop, the younger of two Hislop brothers who took the University by storm dominating the game while helping to keep the program on the map. The program has had an illustrious reputation and the Hislop brothers are a part of the strong Booter tradition.

The other change will be that come this fall, the Booters will have to share the soccer spotlight with the newest addition to the University's athletic program—the women's soccer team.

Looking back on the season, here's one team members perspective. Dijon Anderson, a defender on the Booter squad, the game that stood out the most for him was when the team played Radford. "It was one of the team's best if not the best game, because the team played their best" Anderson said. The score was Howard one, Radford nothing.

Anderson says the worst game was when the team played a nationally ranked George Mason, because the team didn't perform well. He preferred not to mention the score of the game. Putting the soccer year in perspective, Anderson says that the season was successful to some extent. There were a lot of injuries early in the season to some key players. Kona Hislop, John Delgado and Jason Calhoun were among the injured players.

According to Anderson, there is much to be desired in terms of the team's success. "This year just wasn't for us, there is room for improvements." The overall team play has to in some way gel. "We have to click a lot better and trust each other on the field," Anderson said. Anderson also feels that the team needs to have more discipline on the field.

When asked what games the team didn't win but should have, his response was quite frank. "Honestly, we should have won all of them," Anderson said.

In lieu of the fact that there will now be a women's team added to the athletic program, Anderson has positive feelings of helping a women's soccer team in the fall. "I'm looking forward to helping them out..." he says. Anderson also believes that he and his teammates plan to be a strong support for them as the women have been for the men. Anderson strongly believes the women's team has a lot of talent and that given a year or two they will be really great.

He feels that, "all the elements are there, it's just a matter of putting them together." Anderson believes the task is hard, but that the team will be alright.

Track team has mediocre year

By James Conyer
Hilltop Staff Writer

If there were a word to describe the this year's track season, that word would be perseverance.

At the beginning of the season, Coach William Moultrie was very optimistic. He expected both squads to do well this season especially in the hurdles, the sprints and the intermediate-distance events. During the first two weeks of competition, this optimism was well-founded. The men's and women's squads performed well despite the cold in Hampton and the rain in Dover.

However, the cold caught up with the team in Princess Anne. During the meet at the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore (UMES), the team seemed to be subdued by the long ride and the cold. These two factors affected the performance of the runners who turned in a less-than-brilliant performance. Despite the wind and the cold, the athletes in the field events kept pace with their previous outings. For the most part, everyone was looking past UMES toward the Howard University Relays the next weekend.

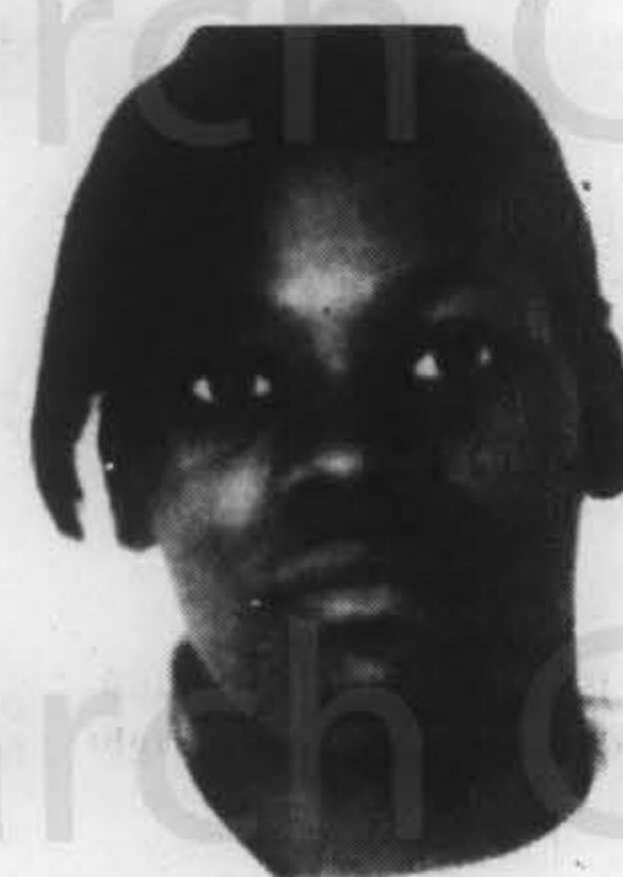
Everyone was focused on the relays and it showed. Both squads placed first in more events at the relays than they had at any meet during the season. The team especially excelled in the relay events and in the field events. The team accomplished this despite the rain, the cold and the wind. Sprinter Jason Calloman attributed the dazzling performance of the team to the home crowd and to the home field advantage mentality. Alina Howard, a key member of the relay teams, believed that the team came

together as one focused unit and did what they had to do to win.

Just as brilliant as the team was during the University relays, they were as flat during the MEAC Championships. Having the best weather they had seen all season, the team just did not perform well. Injuries hampered the sprinters and the hurdlers and brought down the morals of the entire team. Despite this, three members placed in their events including Thabani Banda who claimed the MEAC crown in the pole vault.

The team regrouped and recuperated before heading to the Penn Relays. And there, the team ran well. The men's sprint medley relay team qualified for the Championship of America for the second time in two years. In addition, for the first time in the history of the University track team four hurdlers qualified in order to compete in the shuttle hurdle relay. They came within hundreds of a second for qualifying for the Championship of America.

Not only did the team have success on the track, but also in the classroom.



Sprinter Stacy Jordan is shining member of team

Seven members of the track program will graduate tomorrow including Meisha Abbsinejad, Gerald Hector, team captain Broderick Harrell and one manager Adrian Stevens. "I'm really excited and elated in how the season went," Moultrie said. "Our young people did an excellent job in the classroom." Gerald Hector ended up with a 4.0 average.

Despite an injury-riddled year, the track team made this season very exciting. Despite the bad weather and injuries that

Coach says tennis teams 'Dangerfields' of campus sports

By Monica Lewis
Hilltop Staff Writer

Despite being the only Howard University athletic team to win a Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Championship this year, Howard Tennis Head Coach Larry Strickland considers his men's and women's teams to be the Rodney Dangerfield of Howard sports! According to Strickland, both teams have yet to be given the respect they deserve.

"In terms of the many obstacles that we have had to overcome, such as no courts to practice on and poor weather, the teams responded exceptionally well," Strickland commented.

The team has had to abbreviate and interrupt practices on Banneker High School's court because the University has no courts of its own. The teams have also had to deal with the canceling and rescheduling of matches due to inclement weather.

Despite the problems this year, the Lady Bison lived up to all expectations as they successfully completed an undefeated fall season and went on to capture their second straight MEAC title, last month in Tallahassee, their fourth in the last five

years. Down South, the women were victorious in six of the nine matches in the final round of the tournament. Sophomores Nomi Husband and Stacey Jackson and freshman Nicole Phillips all won in the No. 3, 4 and 5 singles flights, respectively. The doubles teams of Husband and senior captain Stephanie Johnson, Jackson and sophomore LaShawn Jones, and Phillips and junior Tisha Greene were also winners in the doubles flight.

The women are expected to continue their winning ways, although they are losing Johnson, who plans to hit the pro circuit, to graduation.

"Any time you lose seniors, you lose experience and maturity and that hurts," Strickland stated. Strickland added, despite the loss of Johnson, the women should be as strong as ever.

The men who finished third in the MEAC Tournament, will be returning next season without the talents of three key players. Captain Jason Calhoun, Mason Harris and Frank Scarlett all are graduating. "There will be a lot of unknown factors next year, but we're optimistic about working with a new team," Strickland stated.

The men's team will be led by sophomores David Parker, next year's team captain; Sheldon Walters, a winner at the No. 4 spot at the MEAC tournament, and junior Kabelle Masiane, MEAC Champion at the No. 2 spot. According to Strickland, Parker has been a real joy to work with this year. "David will have a leadership role to step into next season," Strickland said.

As for the upcoming season, Coach Strickland has received a recruiting contract from one incoming freshman, Caycey Cummins, out of New Jersey. Strickland has yet to receive contracts from other potential players, although they are expected to be in soon.

Expectations are high for the women to continue to be the dominant team of the MEAC. With the five remaining players, lead by Jackson, captain for the 1993-94 season, all having gained another year of experience, the women can only get better. The men, according to Strickland, will be a wait and see proposition. "They look good on a paper, but matches are a whole different part of the game."

SPORTS III

Men's hoops: a season of peaks and valleys

By Monica Lewis
Hilltop Staff Writer

After a successful 1991-92 season, in which the Howard University Bison made it to the NCAA's Basketball Tournament, expectations were high for a return trip in 1993. However, this year the Bison squad found themselves ousted from the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Basketball Tournament in the second round to Coppin State. And while Coppin became tournament champions, the Bison ended their long season at 10-18.

In December, the men opened their season with a win against Paine College, 83-68, in front of a home crowd. However, the team closed out the month with a 2-6 record as they were defeated by strong Division I-A schools such as Clemson University and the University of Virginia.

Despite the strong performances of the Bison, most of the team's problems were caused by inconsistent play and injuries that plagued several players. Forward/center Otis Young underwent knee surgery, while guards Tommy Brown and Donnell Diggs were also benched because of injuries. In January, forward Sean Turley, who was, according to Coach Alfred "Butch" Beard, most likely suffering from fatigue, collapsed in a post-game meeting after the Bison defeated Delaware State 69-66. Because of the Bison's mishaps, younger, less experienced players took the helm. Players like freshman guard/forward Phil Chenier, who collected a game-high 17 points in the University's victory over Bethune-Cookman College in late January.

Next season, the Bison will have perform without guards Milan Brown and Robert Riddick and Center Charles Solomon, who are all graduating today. "As older players, their experience and lead-



Corey Beard shoots jumper in early season matchup.

ership will be missed," Beard said.

In addition, Beard stated that he is uncertain about which players will provide the leadership necessary to win next season. Yet, recruits like Thurman Johnson, a 6'8 forward out of Dallas, Texas and 7'0 center Grady Livingstone, a transfer from a community college in California, will probably benefit next year's squad.

In spite of a less than fabulous year, Beard anticipates a stellar season next year; yet, he added that that will only happen if everyone comes back in the right frame of mind.

MVP's

Football	Cedric Rawls Jay Walker James "Tim" Watson
Men's Hoops	Milan Brown Robert Riddick Charles Solomon
Women's Hoops	Annette Lee Dorothy Williams
Baseball	Kevin Crawford Kevin Davis
Soccer	Jason Calhoun John Delgado
Women's Swimming	Dara Hamilton
Men's Swimming	Jabari King
Women's Tennis	Stephanie Johnson
Men's Tennis	Kabelo Masiane
Men's Indoor Track/X-Co.	Rodney Mickles
Men's Outdoor Track	Woodrow Bell
Women's X-Country	Meshia Abbshinejad
Women's Indoor/outdoor track	Adayna Upchurch
Volleyball	Lowana Ruth Michelle Simmons
Wrestling	Damon Bryant

Andrea's Thoughts On...

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It's been a long and crazy year, but a very memorable one. As sports editor, I have had my share of ups and downs and it has now come to an end. Finally! First of all, I'd like to say that I couldn't have gotten through this school year without the support of the athletes, coaches and readers. Particularly I'd like to thank Ed and Jesse in Sports Information who have been my livelihood throughout the school year. At the risk of sounding like Michael Jackson giving an acceptance speech at the Grammys, I'd like to also thank the following people:

1. My wonderful writers who wrote those exciting and enjoyable stories that we all read and loved. (sounds corny doesn't it?) Bashaan Prewitt, Monica Lewis, Candida Johnson, Angelia Delaney, Jennifer Sloan and James Conyer.

2. Those writers who were featured once or twice on my page: Ayanna Hines, Jason Calhoun, Gus Griffin and Frederick Oyugi.

3. Last but not least, Johanna Wilson, last years sports editor, for recommending me for the position in the first place.

Finally I'd like to congratulate two of my writers for being selected to the editorial staff of the 1993-94 Hilltop. Monica Lewis who has been chosen to succeed me as sports editor and Bashaan Prewitt who has been chosen for Editorial Editor.

It has definitely been an interesting experience for me. It's made me stronger and I have survived.

ONE FINAL NOTE: Monica and Bashaan

This is your brain.

This is your brain after working for the Hilltop!

Any questions?

--Andrea Williams
Sports Editor

Changes for upcoming year

1. The possible addition of a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) women's soccer team will be discussed for the upcoming fall season.
2. Coaching changes pertaining to the football team are as follows: defensive back coach Steve Trimble has left. ex-Bowie State University head coach Sanders Shiver has been hired as the Bison linebacker coach, while Ray Petty will take over the role of secondary coach.
3. NCAA basketball will now operate with a 35-second shot clock instead of the 45-second clock of previous years. The change should speed the game up, while making the game more competitive.
4. The pool facilities should be resurrected for the upcoming season.

Look for more

exciting

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next year's staff.

See you in the fall!!

HILLTOPICS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PERSONALS

Steve Powell

Happy Belated Birthday

Pumpkin Weasel,
You did it! Congratulations on your best accomplishment, graduation from college. Take care of the little things and the big things will work themselves out. God will take care of the rest. I Love You with all of my heart.

Pokey
EXTRA! EXTRA! Read all about it. EsTee and ElBee still have the cooties. We're looking for a cure. - The Observers

To "My Favorite Thing"- Being with you has meant more to me than you'll ever know. You have become my lover in almost every sense of the word. Let's make this last.

Forever, Coltrane
To Keith Hammond, Happy 22th Birthday Love Always, Tanya Crawford

Thanks & Praise to the Fashion Show Committee, Models, Backdrop Crew, Backstage crew, MC, DJ, Faculty & Alumni who contributed to the success of The Caribbean Students Association's Spring Fashion Shoe

(Kaleidoscope). Special Thanks to Lori, Camille and Roger

MPAT I'll miss you, but our friendship will continue to grow. Luv, Ghost

Remember those girls in the body shorts, "daisy dukes," short-shorts or whatever you call them. We're out!! See ya in August. Its been fun and it's going to get better. LeLe

To K.B., K.K., M.D., Pea We finally came out in those "Daisy Dukes" and look what happened. I guess we're just all that and then some! LeLe

To Miss Ramos: Congratulations on that new summer job, you'll be the best ballet teacher those freshman ever had (I'm an Eyewitness/Just keep one thing in mind: you came first (to all of us)/I've been in your corner for the last three years, and I, unlike others, truly care./ Until next time we sit together in class, Happy Graduation!/(P.S. Thanks for showing me that tape and come visit the west coast) marching **MASTERS**

To the L.A./Conn. Crew You never know who your true friends are until something happens to prove the point. You guys definitely proved something to me. That is what true friendship is all about. KB

To the L.A./Conn. Crew See ya in L.A. to raise more—it!! Nobody does it like us. 151 in the house!! KB

To the L.A./Conn. Crew a.k.a. Dazzie Dukes when I said let's go out with a bang I didn't mean literally. That's the way I like it. KB

elmo and the G business needs to be handled, let's get it on!!!!

TO ALPHA CHAPTER

ZPHIB CLASS OF '93: CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE! LIVE LONG AND PROSPER AND MAY GOD EVER LIGHT YOUR PATH. I PRAY HIS BLESSING WILL BE UPON YOU ABUNDANTLY AND ETERNALLY. YOU ARE MY SISTERS AND I LOVE YOU ALL! 1-A-92

E2-A-91 You have touched my life and made me smile again. Thank you for your kindness. You're such a cutie! Z1-A-92

Shaunee Smith!
You're the first one in the family to be out, so since you'll be there & we'll be here, tell the world we're comin' -oh- & don't forget to show em whatchagot! 'Da Family!

ElBee-
Congrats on the "Big Position." I must admit it was HARD for me 2 swallow at 1st, but I know you'll do a good job. Bear with me, and we'll weather this minor storm 2-gether. No matter what you're one of my closest, dearest friends. I love and respect U. -Kay Em

Sonja, who drank all the kool-aid? Adena, You Made it through. You GO girl! Simone G. You, too, have surpassed. God bless ya! Anjee, So ya wanted a Hilltopic, huh?

Monomotapa Lucked out and got the phatest big brother, I'll miss ya Body and Soul ya, I know too!

HAPPY 5th ANNIVERSARY PERTINACIOUS 32 LOVE, YOUR BABIES -CATECHISTIC 37-

Yo G business needs to be handled better than it was last summer and you remember how last summer was!!!! meow

Congratulations Howard Graduates!!! Alayna, Reyna, Cliff, Jamil, Heidi and Taniesha. I wish you the best of everything, for now, forever and for always, Medina

The Wilson Family a.k.a. The Baddest Clan in the Land:

The youngest has finally graduated. Now, all we have to do is send Asia & Alfie to college. Thanks for loving and supporting me unconditionally.

—Johanna (daughter, baby

sister and auntie). Beautiful One,
What can I say? All good things must come to an end, (or do they?) I'm most proud of you and I wish you the best of luck. Here's some memorable vocabulary to take with you along life's highway: nocturnal, turf, bleudini, cotton, phone, barriers, linen, eyes...Awaiting your return. 50/50

Lee, Tam, Karen. G., Karen B., Julie, Tonia & Tiff (Sisters Inc.):

Thank you so very much for being my surrogate sisters, confidants and reality checks. Words can never articulate how much I appreciated all the hugs and hell you all gave me.

P.S. I always knew I would be the first one to leave.

Love, peace and much happiness

—Johanna

To Johanna: Some people get sooo excited over six measly weeks! But I give you much dap, Ms. Howard Alumnae! Wait for me, I'll be there in June. Tiffany P.S. When we look back on the pictures no one will remember but you!

To Leslie Clanton: Sorry, I'm not doing this the right way and coming back to be with you next May. You will be missed! Love you.

From: you're most stable friend you have here at Howard.

To: Charlene Reid, don't you dare forget to keep in touch with me! Toast to the graduate and the future ball and chain (Bên). May your love last.

From: Your roommate. James Martin -

I never could've gotten thru "The Decision" without you. I thank God that I have someone like you in my life. Thanks for everything, most of all for being my friend. - Nicole James

To: Shauntae Brown Let's not get so urked at one another that we can't stay and touch. You too will be missed. Love, Tiffany.

Joe, Thanks for supporting and loving me for four years.

Love ya, Johanna Yeah, Joe thanx for loving her (when nobody else would put up with her mess!)

From: Somebody who hears about you every d—n day!

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HILLTOPICS II

Despite the obvious oversight at THE HILLTOP Banquet:

SHARONDA STARKS, the changes you brought to the photo department this semester were phenomenal. They are reason enough to deem you our personal **EDITOR OF THE YEAR**.

-The APPRECIATIVE editors

To My Beautiful Princess Jasmine (S.P.), Let's travel to a whole new world on your 22nd year on this earth. I love you. From Your Prince Ali (C.S.)

To My Favorite Roommate, I am so proud! You truly are the best roomie in the world. Congratulations Graduate! 1004

meow, the putteatat has returned and he still wants to know "Why does the Dog, chase the Cat???"

Congratulations, Best wishes and mo' money to Alyana Phillips, Darnell Sutton, Angela George, Michelle Brown and Michell Kazadi Love, Tomika Hughey

Hey Jamila and Stacey, don't forget your applications 2 b 'P-Move' Honeez! — sos

To my man from Norfolk, Va.: I know things did not work out as planned but we both know everything is going to be alright, not only because you are strong determined and dedicated, but also because you have me by your side, Love from the me you love, Medina

SANDS, THE LAST THREE YEARS HAVE BEEN INTERESTING BUT NOW IT IS TIME TO MOVE ON AND HAN-

DLE OUR BUSINESS ON ANOTHER LEVEL, I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST. I LOVE YOU ALL SUFFUSION

This is for those 1320 Honies that are graduating May '93: Mel, Adriane, & Heidi.

Congratulations and good luck! YOU GO GIRLS! We love y'all! The other 1320 Honies, Nina and Angie

To that Filthy McNasty Trio, (JCR) Congrats on finally rollin' up otta here! I'm expecting great things from all of you! A Doctor, a Lawyer, and a slammin' Politician 116

Dear Shanta, Thanks for being the best friend that anyone could ever ask for. Love, Chris

To Da Posse, Kim, Nikki, Saida, and Amy! We're seniors now! Time to take Howard over! (As if we haven't all ready!) The summer is goin' to be too live! Chel-C

Excuse Me Chel-C, The Filthy McNasty Trio has not left Howard yet and we run this mutha, if you would like earn the deed you must pass the

CHALLENGE and the Trio will decide if you and Da Posse are worthy until then step off, Signed **Filthy McNasty #2**

To The 50¢ Piece It's been great discovering how beautiful the merging of A & B could be. And discovering how friendship can blossom into something remarkable. Can't wait to be a dollar again.

From the other 50¢ EsTee-

Thanks for being a *real* friend when I was sure they were a dying breed. Oh, and thanks for not getting too mad over the Jack's.

-Kay Em

To Kim- I treasure our friendship and am sure it will last always. I love you & I'll always be there for you.

Love, Sharmarra

TEST ADMINISTRATOR I look forward to a very hot, steamy, wet, creamy, juicy, sexy, sensual summer with U.

TEST PASSER

The G., the putteatat, and that muddafudda Elmo would like to wish all of those graduating seniors best wishes

OOOOHHHH LAAWWD Congrats to my Spec. Jamar Wells 6-B-92 and my Grand Spec Herman Warren 8-B-93 let's keep the family close 12-B-90

Selassi Veddar: The past year and a half have been great. You've learned to fill the ice tray, and I've learned to appreciate The Seattle Grunge Scene. Thanks for being the most interesting roomie I've ever had and for being a great friend. Keep holding out and you too will get yours. Mrs.

Flinstone I'm looking for my boy... To LWB

Love does not demand its own way. If you love someone, you will be loyal to them no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him, always expect the best of him, and always defend him. It is this way that I feel

about you.

Love, Sharmarra

May God Bless the Following: Sha, Larry, Kim, Fred, Ron, Jen, Khari, the Beta Chapter Brothers, Nicky, Mom, Family, Robert Thorne, Nina and Sonya. I'm through with this, and all of you have made it possible and enjoyable.

Theodore P. Cummings

6-BETA-89 Flamingo

Sharmarra, It started with Flapjacks to Sausage & Eggs w/ Cheese. Now through Rancid, AWK, Chopped Chicken Yat, Fried Chicken Grease, Grease Recipient, Gout, Qwincey, Lupus, Lost on 395, New Shoes, and anything I may have forgotten. Baby, I'm really going to miss you this summer, but I look forward to our senior year together and whatever the future may hold.

Love, Larry Adrian: Well, bro, you've made it. Congratulations. We've been thru a lot together, yet we've persevered. You are like a brother to me, and I love you.

Fred P.S. If it's a boy, name him after me.

To Aunt Jo, Joyce, Mikel: Your (loud) laughter, advice and support will be missed. Good luck in whatever you choose for your future.-- Kim, Sharmarra, and Larry

Senior Annenbergs: You've paved the way, we only hope we can live up to your standards. Good luck in the future, but we know you won't really need it, and pray

for us in the absence of Kathi...(SMILE)

The Junior Annenbergs

Madd props and blessings to BIP, Sherin the She-Elf, Bay-Bro, Dread Force, FredKim Sharmarra(looks like a baby man)LarryJohannaTiffany & the other Hilltop peoples, Lisa The Walking Smile, Steve (BizManager), Vlad, Rodney, Nomad, Nevik, Mirc, CHYLL WILL, Think, Kemp and the Flatline crew, Camille, SF2 junkies, all my cool professors, & all readers of the comics page...

Khari J. Sampson Class 1993

Fashion Sheriff:

Congrats on being the hell out of here!!! We'll join you next year, but for now we'll accept the passing of the torch...or handcuffs.

The Fashion Deputies

407West Crew + J.J.:

Although I was absent for

most of the year, I want you to know that I still love you all. I'll miss you this summer. K.M.

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